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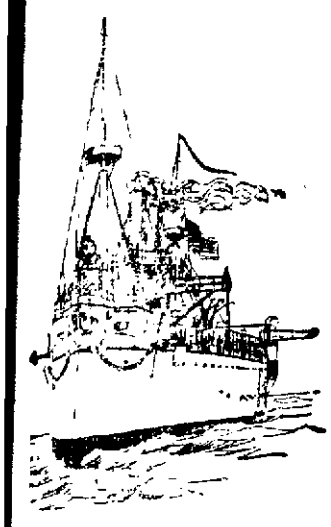
IN MEMORIAM

Feb. 15, 1898--"Remember the Maine."



Flags at Half-Mast on Shipping, Public Buildings and Residences in New York.

NEW YORK, February 15.—A year ago today the battleship Maine was blown up in the harbor at Havana and 266 American seamen lost their lives. The event is being remembered here. Flags are flying at half mast on all the public buildings, national, state and municipal and the vessels in the harbor as well as from many private residences. In many stores there are photos of the battleship, with the motto "Remember the Maine."

THE NEW MAINE.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., February 15.—The anniversary of the blowing up of the battleship Maine was marked here by beginning work on a man-of-war to replace her, to bear the same name, by Cramps. The shipyard was thrown open to the public and a great cheer went up as the workmen set in place the first steel piece of the keel. The vessel will be 400 feet long, 12,500 tons, one of the most powerful in the navy, and will cost $3,000,000.

EVENTS OF A YEAR

1898.

Feb 15 ..... Battleship Maine blown up
April 25 ..... War against Spain declared
May 1 ..... Dewey destroys Montejo's fleet
June 2 ..... Shafter invades Cuba
July 1 ..... Battle of San Juan
July 3 ..... Cervera's fleet destroyed
July 17 ..... Santiago Surrenders
Aug 12 ..... Peace protocol signed
Dec 10 ..... Treaty of peace signed

1899.

Jan 20 ..... Aguinaldo defies America
Feb 4 ..... Second battle of Manila
Feb 6 ..... Senate ratifies peace treaty
Feb 11 ..... Fall of Iloilo
Feb 15 ..... Keel of the new Maine laid

MAY NOT AGREE

Critical Stage in Negotiations with Our Canadian Neighbors.

WASHINGTON, February 15.—The negotiations of the high joint commission are at a critical stage, but the rumor of failure is unwarranted to date. The Americans say they have made such concessions as imperil ratification.

LATER—The American-Canadian commission is in session today and will be again tomorrow. There is now no probability of an immediate dissolution. It has been decided to let the irreconcilible differences rest for the present in the hope that a solution will be found.

CONGRESS.

Nicaragua Bill Still Hanging in the Balance—The House.

WASHINGTON, February 15—With the fate of the Nicaragua canal bill still hanging in the balance the House met this morning. After some routine business Representative Hepburn of Iowa, in charge of the canal bill, asked unanimous consent to make it the special order for Tuesday next, but objections were made. The House then went into committee of the whole on the sundry civil bill, the pending question being a point of order against attaching the canal bill to the sundry civil bill as an amendment.

Senate.

The bill passed thanking Helen Gould for her services during the war with Spain and providing a gold medal for her. Postoffice appropriation bill was reported to be called up tomorrow. The bill passed for the admission of Oscar W. Deignan, one of the Merrimac heroes, to the naval academy.

THE MARTIN REVIVAL.

Mrs. Georgia Randolph was Baptised by Garfield.

It was very large and very deeply interested audience that listened to Dr. S. M. Martin, the evangelist, at the tabernacle last night. His theme was "Mirrors of Christ," and he handled it with the skill of a scholar and orator. The main idea advanced was that all Christians are reflectors of Christ—some very poor ones, others more perfect, but all are engaged in showing forth the Master's love and character. At the close of the sermon several persons came forward, among the number Mrs. Georgia P. Randolph, a talented lady from Washington, D. C., who has but recently moved to Decatur. When a student in Oberlin College under the distinguished President Fairchild, she made the good confession and was baptized by immersion by James A. Garfield, afterwards president of the United States. In a short talk Mrs. Randolph spoke tenderly of the great man and her conversion. President Garfield was a life-long member of the Christian church, and for many years preached as occasion warranted.

Dr. Martin will speak on "Zeal" tonight, and the services will begin promptly at 7 o'clock and close at 8, on account of the Charity Concert, which will begin at 8:30.

A GOLD SEEKER.

T. M. Johnson, Formerly of Decatur, in the Klondyke Region.

T. M. Johnson, formerly a student at the Decatur Business College, a nephew of Mrs. J. B. Bullard of this city and J. M. Dugger of Carlinville, Ill., is among the large army of gold seekers in the Klondike country. He is now in a comfortable camp near Copper Center, from which place he wrote a long letter to Carlinville relatives under date of November 27 last, which is published in the Carlinville Daily Democrat of February 10. It contains interesting allusions to the friendly Indians and stories of camp life. Mr. Johnson had not been heard from for a long time and much solicitude was felt for his safety. On the night previous to the receipt of the Johnson letter at Carlinville, Mr. Dugger had a dream that he would receive a letter in the morning from his nephew, and sure enough the next day the Johnson letter came to hand, much to the relief of all the relatives.

GIMN IS AHEAD

In the Six Days' Bicycle Contest in California.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., February 15.—The bicycle score at 10 a. m. was: Gimm 646½ miles, Pierce 641, Miller 633, Nawn 627, Barnaby 630, Hale 614, Fredericks 613, Lawson 611, Alberts 606, Farson 592, Ashinger 576, Julius 562, Pilkington 561.

HYLAND IS HERE.

One of the Pugilists Arrived in the City Today from Buffalo.

William Hyland, the pugilist from Buffalo, N. Y., who at the athletic entertainment tomorrow evening will box with Simon Cripe of La Place, arrived in the city today. Hyland is in the pink of condition and is in shape to give a fine exhibition of boxing. This morning he went out and ran six miles and did not seem to feel it in the least.

The sale of seats for the entertainment is good and Manager Pete Washer says that he feels confident that there will be a large attendance.

ARRIVED AT GIBRALTAR.

WASHINGTON, February 15.—The state department has received a cable from Gibraltar stating that the transport Sherman with troops for Manila has arrived there.

—Miss May Kimber, who has been in the city visiting her sister, Mrs. A. C. Race, will leave tomorrow for her home in Jacksonville.

FIGHTING ON SUNDAY

News Brought to Gen. Otis at Manila.

FOUR AMERICANS WOUNDED

In a Routing Fight Near Iloilo—All Quiet on Monday When the Messenger Left for Manila.

MANILA, February 15.—Colonel Potter arrived today from Iloilo with dispatches from General Miller to General Otis. Sunday afternoon General Miller ordered a reconnoissance in force to ascertain the enemy's positions. Major Cheabam's battalion of the Tennessee regiment, marched beyond Molo without finding the enemy and returned to Iloilo. Kellar's battalion of the 18th infantry, with Hotchkiss and Gatling guns, marched toward Jaro. Half way there they encountered a large body of the enemy occupying both sides of the road, who opened severe and well directed fire. The Americans replied with a number of volleys, advancing steadily and drove the enemy through Jaro into the open country beyond. All portable property had been removed. Only few Chinese there. Four privates were wounded. The rebel loss was severe. All was quiet Monday when Potter left for Manila.

Officer Drowned.

WASHINGTON, February 15—General Otis cables from Manila that Lieut. B. A. [illegible] of the 1st South Dakota regiment was drowned last night while attempting to land a Hotchkiss gun at Pasig.

MONDAY ENGAGEMENTS.

Skirmish Fights in Pursuit of the Insurgents—Brush Attacks.

MANILA, February 15.—Several rebels Monday afternoon having fired from houses bearing white flags, on the American outposts, Colonel Smith, with three companies of California volunteers, proceeded to clean out the enemy along his front. The rebels fought from the brush and several skirmishes occurred. Nine Californians were slightly wounded before the rebels were driven out.

Work proceeded today in a systematic manner, the gunboats shelling villages and working rapid fire guns very effectively on the jungle. The entire California regiment with the exception of two companies, four of the companies of the Washington regiment and two companies of the Idaho regiment and the battery of the 6th Artillery were engaged. The rebels were driven towards Lake Laguna de Bayo. They held their fire, apparently being short of ammunition, but fought desperately. The American outposts in this direction are now fully 12 miles out. All quiet along the rest of the line, except an occasional exchange of shots between the sharpshooters.

AGONCILLO'S DENIAL.

LONDON, February 15.—The Filipinos' agents have received a cable from Agoncillo saying: "The statement by General Otis that he has a copy of a telegram from me advising that Aguinaldo attack the Americans' is absolutely false. I challenge Otis to produce it."

ANTI-LICENSE

City of Galesburg Declares Against the Saloons.

GALESBURG, ILL., February 15.—Galesburg went dry Tuesday for the first time in 23 years, or since the adoption of the new charter. The special election on the question of licensing dram shops was granted by the council a month ago, but those favoring the anti-license movement had to guarantee the cost of the election. The movement started with two or three men and at first seemed chimerical, but the college presidents and ministers took hold of the work. Dr. C. E. Nash, president of Lombard University, was elected president of the anti-saloon association, and then an active campaign was undertaken. It was supposed that the saloon men were doing nothing, but this morning revealed that they were thoroughly organized. They kept nearly all the livery rigs here busy, and in workers outnumbered their opponents two to one. Their leading men were predicting victory. Still, when the votse were cast it was found that there were 1786 against license and 1754 for The size of the vote was a surprise. The result is supposed to govern the action of the council next spring.

RAILWAY TRAFFIC

In the Far East Resumed After the Blizzard.

NEW YORK, February 15.—There was some improvement in the outlook for resuming travel on the Pennsylvania system today. The Chicago Limited started this morning. Little improvement on the Erie road.

BUFFALO, N. Y., February 15.—Seven through trains on the New York Central from the east arrived last night and this morning. Trains for the east are leaving on about schedule time.

BOSTON, MASS., February 15.—The railroads are opening up their lines. This forenoon all systems had trains moving with an approach to regularity.

PITTSBURG, PA., February 15.—The railroad blockade eastward is being raised. The Pennsylvania road resumed the dispatch of trains on time.

At Washington.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—Clear, 20 degrees above with a breeze, are the weather conditions today. In the business streets large gangs of men are carting away snow. The principal street railroads are in operation. Blockaded householders have reappeared on the streets and business in many lines has been resumed. To a limited extent the railroad traffic has been resumed to the north and will be nearly in full operation to the south.

The president and party leave this afternoon for Boston, where they will be entertained by the Home Market club.

CASE IN THE OFFICE

Now Over 15 Smallpox Patients at Indianapolis.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., February 15.—The city board of health, which had been fighting the smallpox for about a month in this city, discovered yesterday that the enemy had invaded their very camp. Charles Brooke was put out of the house where he had been living at 345 West Tenth street, his skin having broken out, and the people feared it was smallpox. He went to the board of health office in the county court house and informed Clerk Gwinn he had the smallpox. Gwinn opened the window and forced the man out of the office, very badly scared. A physician was summoned and the case was diagnosed as typical smallpox. He was sent to the pest house, and the house in Tenth street, an entirely new locality for the disease, was quarantined. There are now over 15 cases in the pest houses.

CHICAGO FIRE FATALITY.

CHICAGO, February 15.—It is thought certain that Fred A. Marte, wife and child, were burned to death in the fire in the Arlington flats last night.

NO CHOICE.

CHICAGO, February 15.—The ballots for senator at Harrisburg, Dover and Lincoln were without decisive results.

MORTUARY.

FUNERAL OF MRS. HENRY.

The funeral of Mrs. Jane Henry, who died February 12 at her home near Mt. Zion, was held Tuesday at the Cumberland Presbyterian church at Mt. Zion, Rev. M. C. Cockrum, the pastor, officiating. There was a large concourse of relatives and friends and the church was filled, some being obliged to stand during the services. It was a fitting tribute of love and respect to the Christian, motherly life of Mrs. Henry and her triumphant death and the impressive testimony she gave in her last hours of Christian faith are a source of much comfort to her immediate family and of encouragement to all who have been associated with her in her long life of Christian service.

Sarah Jane Nichols was born November 27, 1831, near Moore's Hill, Ripley county, Indiana, and came to Illinois in the fall of 1852. She professed religion in 1851 at the age of 20 years. She was married to John A. Henry in October, 1853, and five children of this union survive her, J. B. Henry, M. L. Henry, W. O. Henry, Miss Francis Henry, all of Mt. Zion, and Mrs. Hattie Waldorf of Decatur.

She was the second wife of Mr. Henry, who died several years ago. Mrs. Henry was a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian church at Mt. Zion. Quite a number of persons attended the funeral from Decatur, among whom were D. C. Corley, Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Henry, Luther Martin, Bert Davidson, Calvin Nichols, Benjamin Adams and Coroner Bendure.

DISTRICT FEDERATION.

Plans for Meeting to be Held in Decatur Thursday and Friday.

The delegates to the District Federation meeting which will open at the Woman's club in this city on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock will arrive on the morning trains tomorrow and will be taken directly to the Woman's club rooms. A committee consisting of Mesdames Tobe Ward and C. P. Thatcher will meet the different trains and escort the arrivals to the club rooms, where a reception committee consisting of Mesdames Ida W. Baker, George R. Bacon, J. H. Bevans, R. G. Wells, A. T. Summers and Florence McConnell will welcome them. Luncheon will be served at 12 o'clock. At 1 o'clock there will be a meeting of the directory of the federation and at 2 o'clock the first session will be opened.

Mrs. Bourland, honorary president of the state federation will be present. She will be entertained by Mrs. Bacon Mrs. Estelle B. Clark, professor of literature, Lincoln university, will give a paper on "Education; The Woman's Club and Mr. Grant Allen." She will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Pegram. Mrs. Francine Patten, president of the Springfield Woman's club, will give a paper on "Philanthropy in Relation to the Woman's Club." She will be the guest of Mrs. Ida Baker.

ACCEPTED INVITATION.

Mrs. Clara M. J. Farson, president of the state federation has announced that the invitation extended by the Woman's club of Decatur to the state board to hold the next meeting in Decatur had been accepted and the board would meet in this city the first week in May. The board is composed of about 20 women, all prominent in the club work of the state.

WHEELMEN'S CLUB

Had a Warm Time at Their Meeting Last Evening—Gave a Smoker.

The members of the Wheelmen's club held a meeting last night at which time the newly elected officers took charge and the retiring officers stepped out. A number of applications for membership were voted on and the following were admitted to membership: Paul Leonard, Russell Package, Jack Wright, C. A. Gille, Sam Pegram, R. W. Burcher and J. H. McGann. The names of three others were presented but were black balled.

A new rule was made last night in regard to the admission of visitors. No resident of the city will be permitted to visit the rooms unless he is a member and non-residents can be granted the privileges of the rooms for a period of one week, when furnished with a card signed by the secretary. This rule will be strictly enforced.

The new billiard table which the club recently purchased has been received and put in place in the rooms.

Got His Commission.

The suit of Elmer McKinnis vs. John M. Shively, which has been on trial at Monticello, was decided yesterday. McKinnis is a real estate man and sued to recover $150 which he claimed was due as a commission. The suit was decided in favor of the plaintiff who was represented by Attorney W. E. Redmon of this city and Attorney C. C. Leforgee appeared for the defendant.

Elected Officers.

The members of the Trades and Labor Assembly held a meeting last night and elected the following officers:

President—Will Gilkeson.
Vice President—D. Logan.
Secretary—D. J. Smith.
Treasurer—L. W. Fribourg.

COLOR LINE IN HAVANA

Brought Up at the Washington Cafe.

THE SPANISH LAW APPLIED

And Holman's Place is Promptly Closed—Gen. Ducasse Refused Service at the Once Popular Resort.

HAVANA, February 15.—Holman's Washington cafe, on the Central Park, has been ordered closed by Senor Federico Mora, civil governor of Havana, because of the refusal of the proprietor to serve drinks to a mulatto, the Cuban General Ducasse. Several friends of Ducasse were seated in the cafe taking refreshments when he happened to be passing, and they called him to join them. Mr. Holman, however, refused to serve him. As the existing Spanish laws prohibit race distinctions, Senor Mora, to whom complaint was made, consulted Major General Ludlow, military governor of the department of Havana, as to the action to be taken. General Ludlow told him to enforce the law, and Senor Mora informed Mr. Holman that unless he wrote a letter of apology the cafe would be closed. Mr. Holman declined to write the letter and Senor Mora issued the closing order.

Mr. Holman, who is an American, says he will reopen, claiming that he is sustained by the American authorities. It is considered that the controversy will raise the race question.

DEPEND ON DECATUR SHAFT.

Coal Supply at Niantic Short on Account of Cold Weather.

The paradoxical condition of want in the midst of plenty was observed in Niantic yesterday. When the afternoon freight from Decatur pulled into the station at that place 20 teams and wagons were drawn up waiting for a supply of coal which had to be delivered to several homes last evening in order to keep fires going throughout the night, so low was the supply of fuel. The Niantic mine which previous to June of last year employed 110 men, is now idle on account of the strike and there are but 24 of the 110 miners left in the town. The mine is open but not one load of coal has been taken out since last June. The merchants are nearly frantic. Before the strike they had a pay roll of nearly $1000 per week to depend on and the present condition of affairs has served to bring business to a standstill. All the coal consumed in the town is taken from the Decatur shaft. The cold weather of the past week had exhausted the supply and the shipment from Decatur yesterday was eagerly awaited.

ABOVE FREEZING POINT.

Today was Just Like Spring and Everyone is Glad of It.

The temperature each day is a little warmer and today the weather was more pleasant than it has been for some time past. Early this morning the thermometer was at 18 degrees above zero. During the forenoon it went up much higher and reached 36 degrees, four degrees above freezing point. The ice and snow began to melt and was cleaned off the sidewalks. It hardly seems possible that a few days ago it was 20 degrees below zero and the feeling of relief that the cold weather is over is general. Everyone has all the cold weather they want until next year. The ice men have finished their work and severe cold weather can be of no further benefit to anyone. The warm sun and fresh air of today was enjoyed and people seemed to feel that life was worth living.

THE WEATHER.

CHICAGO, February 15.—Illinois Partly cloudy tonight and warmer in the south followed by rain Thursday in southern and central portions; brisk to high southeast winds.

Decatur Represented.

In a current number of the "Contract News and City and Town Government Record," is a write-up of the Mueller Manufacturing plant and a large picture of the building.

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ONE YEAR IN JAIL

Ambrose Robbins and Fanny Fulton Sentenced

ADULTERY AND LARCENY

Were the Charges Against Them—Trial of the Hamilton Damage Suit Still in the Circuit Court.

Ambrose Robbins alias Henry Banks and Fannie Fulton, alias Banks, were in the county court today before Judge Hammer. There were two charges against them, adultery and petit larceny. It will be remembered that they were the couple who lived in a boarding house on East Main street. They stole some of the household articles belonging to the woman with whom they boarded and about the time they were getting ready to leave another woman who was Robbins wife, appeared on the scene and the matter ended in the couple being arrested.

Both Robbins and the Fulton woman will serve 12 months in the county jail. On the charge of petit larceny they were each fined $5 and costs and sentenced to three months' imprisonment and on the adultery charge they were each fined $10 and sentenced to nine months in jail.

GOT NINETY DAYS.

Nora McDonald, the young colored girl who was arrested for stealing a jacket, was before Judge Hammer today. She was fined $10 and costs and sentenced to 90 days in jail, fine and costs are to stand committed until paid.

THE DAMAGE SUIT.

The Hamilton $20,000 damage suit is still on trial in the circuit court and probably will be in progress for a number of days. The prosecution today is introducing testimony. The evidence is much the same as in the Lee damage case.

THE ARMY BILL

Deadlock in the Committee on Military Affairs.

WASHINGTON, February 15.—The members of the Senate committee on military affairs are deadlocked on the army reorganization bill owing to the absence in Cuba of Senator Proctor, who holds the balance of power. The Democrats who oppose the bill as at present drawn will suggest a compromise to which they will agree this afternoon.

DID NOT FORGET.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL., February 15.—Both Houses of the Legislature, after the transaction of some business today, passed a resolution commemorative of the destruction of the Maine and adjourned.

ST. PAUL, February 15.—The House passed a resolution in commemoration of the destruction of the battleship Maine.

PROMOTION FOR COL. MILLER

WASHINGTON, February 15.—Col. Marcus P. Miller, who as brigadier general of volunteers, commanded at the capture of Iloilo, will be nominated for brigadier general in the regular army in recognition of his services on that occasion.

Death at Urbana.

Decatur friends have received the news of the death of James Hobbs, the six year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hobbs of Urbana. Mr. and Mrs. Hobbs formerly lived in this city. The burial will be at Harristown.

INQUIRY COURT.

WASHINGTON, February 15.—The court of inquiry into the army meat affairs was unable to begin work today, some members being absent on account of the snow storm.

For Increase.

The Decatur pension board today examined the following applicants for increase in pension: James McIntyre and Ohaleres Fleming of Decatur and John Hammer of Latham.

The protracted meeting at Sharon M. E. church four miles west of Decatur is progressing nicely. The attendance is good and religious interest is on the increase. There will be meetings every night this week.

CROUP

Mothers, when your children are attacked by the dreadful croup, you need not despair; Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup will relieve and cure them at once. You can always depend on this marvelous remedy; it always cures.

Dr. Bull's COUGH SYRUP

Will cure croup without fail.

LOOK FOR PARKE

And the Absent Farmer Cannot be Found.

RELATIVES GO TO THE POLICE

The Authorities May Locate the Man and Bring Him Back to His Family—Woman in the Case.

R. H. Parke, a young farmer who until last week lived on a farm owned by Mrs. Hill near Elwin it is claimed has deserted his wife and four months old child, leaving for parts at present unknown.

It was said today by Parke's relatives that for the past year he has been drinking a great deal. He decided a short time ago to move to Decatur and on February 8 held a sale, disposing of all his farming implements, stock, etc. A house was rented on North College street and on Thursday he started to move his household goods to the city, his wife in the meantime staying with her father, T. H. Talbot, of East Division street. On Tuhrsday evening it was learned by his family, it is stated, that he had cashed his sale notes and they, suspecting that he intended to leave town, went to the station just in time to prevent him from boarding a west bound train. He went with his wife to her father's house and spent the night, leaving on Friday morning. He disposed of the beds and a part of the bedding and on Friday night or Saturday morning left town. The proceeds from his sale amounted to about $300 and of this he succeeded in cashing notes amounting to over $200, which amount he took with him. He took the remaining notes, however, and his wife is left destitute.

A relative of Mrs. Parke today said the woman with whom he was most intimately associated occupied apartments in one of the blocks in the business part of the city. It is charged that he was frequently seen carrying beer to her rooms and it is alleged that she is making preparations for leaving the city, presumably to join him. She is a married woman.

Until one year ago Parke bore a good reputation. His parents live one-half mile from Wikles Switch and the elder Parke is one of the prominent farmers of that vicinity. Mrs. Parke with her child, will remain with her parents for the present.

The authorities have been consulted but it is not decided as to whether or not any steps will be taken to bring him back. He left several creditors, among them several physicians of this city.

Elks at Danville.

About 15 members of the local Elks order left on the 4:45 train over the Wabash this afternoon for Danville, where they will participate in the initiation and banquet with the Danville order this evening. The affair will be an important one. The most generous hospitality will be extended to the visitors. Sixty candidates will be received into the order with all the ceremony due to the occasion. A telephone will be placed in the parlors of the Decatur order and those who were left at home will be able to enjoy the speeches and music which will be given in connection with the banquet at the Hotel Plaza through the long distance connections. Some of the members have hinted that the long distance telephone connection with the members that stay at home is made as a matter of extra precaution.

In the case of the estate of the late John Cullam Judge Hammer, in the county court today, granted a decree for the sale of real estate.

As Beach's Soap Powder is powdered soap and not harmful chemicals it is not necessary to use other soap with it.

ORANGE CROP KILLED.

ATLANTA, GA., Feb. 15.—Storm advices to the Associated Press cover all of Florida as far south as Tampa and Augustine. Vegetables are generally killed. Orange trees were in bloom; the blossoms were killed.

Burial in Kansas.

The remains of Mrs. Nancy A. Good, an old lady of Lebanon, Kansas, who died at St. Mary's hospital yesterday, were taken to Kansas for burial. Mrs. Good had an operation performed and never recovered.

The Ladies' Aid society of the First Baptist church will hold a meeting at the home of Mrs. I. A. Buckingham on Friday, February 24, to which the gentlemen of the families of the members are to be invited. Tea will be served at 6 o'clock and an informal program will be arranged for the occasion.

Regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. at their hall in the Roberts & Greene building on Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

Father Kelley left today for New York, where he will remain for several weeks to recruit his health. He bade his congregation good bye after mass this morning.

Give the Children a Drink

called Grain-O. It is a delicious, appetizing nourishing food drink to take the place of coffee. Sold by all grocers and liked by all who have used it because when properly prepared it tastes like the finest coffee but is free from all its injurious properties. Grain-O aids digestion and strengthens the nerves. It is not a stimulant but a health builder, and children as well as adults can drink it with great benefit. Costs about ¼ as much as coffee. 15 and 25c.

PERSONAL.

—Mrs. J. C. Boyce and sister, of Mt. Zion, were in the city today.

—Mrs. Dr. Mays of Illiopolis was in the city today.

—Mrs. R. Blake and daughter, Miss Emma, of Niantic, were in the city today

—Miss L. Peck of Cerro Gordo was a guest of Decatur friends.

—Homer Arnold of Macon transacted business in the city today.

—Miss Lois Keeper of Warrensburg is the guest of Mrs. William Catto.

—Ed Foulke went to Mattoon today on a business trip.

—Bert Gillestraux left yesterday for Bret, Iowa.

—F. R. Goode, manager of the Decatur Patent Exchange and Mr. Brewer of Pierson went to Terre Haute today on business.

—County Treasurer Joseph Miller has arrived home from Taylorville, where he attended a meteing of the board of directors of the Fraternal Army of America.

—Miss Winifred Knight, of St. Louis, is in Decatur visiting Miss Ida Voorhies, and will remain in the city till the first of next week.

SUICIDE AT MATTOON.

Clarence Smith Took Poison in the Depot Waiting Room.

A telegram received by the Republican today announces the fact that Clarence Smith, a young farmer living in Ash Grove township in Shelby county, committed suicide at Mattoon last night. At 4:40 p. m. he entered the waiting room of the Mattoon depot which is in the Essex house. He sat down in one of the seats and a few moments later fell to the floor. A physician was called and every effort was made to save the young man's life, but he died in 30 minutes. It was learned that he had bought 10 cents worth of strychnine at a drug store a short time before. The young man was a son of John Smith, a well known farmer. It is not known what caused the rash act.

RULED OUT OF ORDER.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—In the House Mr. Hopkins, chairman of the committee of the whole, ruled the Nicarauga canal amendment out of order.

The Grip Cure That Does Cure.

Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets removes the cause that produces La Grippe. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each Tablet.

On account of its quality and the size of the bars Beach's Northwest Soap is the most economical laundry soap you can use.

The Sure La Grippe Cure.

There is no use suffering from this dreadful malady, if you will only get the right remedy. You are having pain although your body, your liver is out of order, have no appetite, no life or ambition, have a bad cold, in fact are completely used up. Electric Bitters is the only remedy that will give you prompt and sure relief. They act directly on your Liver, Stomach and Kidneys, tone up the whole system and make you feel like a new being. They are guaranteed to cure or price refunded. For sale at J. E. King's and C. F. Shilling's drug stores.

Without Signal Lights.

Some of the wheelmen who passed along West Wood street last night have a kick to register. A house which was being moved during the day was left in the middle of the street without any signal light being put out to warn those passing on wheels or in vehicles. Boards projected from each side and a rope laid across the street so that there was immediate danger to anyone who might pass on the street.

CAVENAUGH ARRESTED

And Taken to Vandalia — Warrant Charges Him with Bastardy.

John E. Cavenaugh, who is employed in the Wabash shops, was arrested this afternoon by Officers Leech and Williamson on a warrant charging him with bastardy, the complainant being Miss Etta May of Ramsey, Ill. The warrant was brought here by a newspaper man named Bolt, who was deputized by the sheriff. A note was sent to Marshal Mason requesting the arrest and the prisoner was taken to Vandalia in charge of Bolt.

Dr. S. E. McClelland this morning received a letter from T. T. Roberts, who with his family is spending the winter in California, saying that they were all in very good health and enjoying their trip immensely. The weather is delightful and there is a daily excursion to some point of interest. On the day the letter was written the party had taken a tally-ho drive of 20 miles and Mrs. Jack, Mrs. Roberts' mother, who has been ill, is so far improved in health as to be able to take a daily drive of that distance.

CASTORIA.

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.

HEAVY WINTER UNDERWEAR

—AT—

A Big Discount.

One lot of Men's Camel's Hair Shirts and Drawers—slightly soiled—regular price 50c, reduced to, a garment..... 25c

Men's Natural Grey Wool Shirts and Drawers, regular $1.00 quality, for, garment..... 75c

Twenty dozen Men's Light Wool Socks at 10c pair.

Fifteen dozen Men's Heavy Shaker Socks at 18c pair.

One lot Children's Heavy All Wool Natural Gray Shirts and Pants, slightly soiled, at just..... Half Price

Ladies' Heavy Fleeced Vests and Pants at 20c each.

Ladies' Swiss Ribbed Tights, in Ecru only, at 18c pair.

Children's Ribbed Cashmere Hose, all sizes, at 15c pair.

One lot Ladies' Ribbed Fancy Scotch Wool Leggins, regular value, $1.00, for, pair..... 50c

Blanket Sale.

Fifty Pairs of White and Gray All Wool Blankets, worth $3.00 a pair, for..... $1.98

Our entire lot of COMFORTS AND BLANKETS to be Closed Out at Correspondingly Low Prices.

Bradley Bros
DRY GOODS & MILLINERY
Decatur Ill.

FINE SWORD AND BIBLE

Given to Captain Phillip, of the Texas.

BOUGHT BY S. S. CHILDREN

At a Cost of Over $3500—Presentation at Galveston Today in Presence of a Large Crowd.

GALVESTON, TEXAS, February 15.—This afternoon the sword and Bible purchased by the Sunday school children of Texas were presented to Commodore John W. Philip, who commanded the battleship Texas during the war with Spain. The sword was made by the same firm which designed the Admiral Dewey sword and cost $3500. The presentation was an approval of Philip's public acknowledgement after the Santiago engagement of the sovereignty of Almighty God. The battleship Texas is here and all the officers and men attended the ceremony.

APPOINTMENTS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—The President has sent to the senate these nominations: Samuel J. Barrows, of Massachusetts, to be librarian of congress; Geo. W. Wilson, of Ohio, now deputy commissioner, to be commissioner of internal revenue; Col. Marcus P. Miller third artillery, to be brigadier general.

Kaylor-Mallory.

Miss Jessie Mallory and Samuel Kaylor were maried at the home of the bride near Elwin at 12 o'clock, noon, today. They will reside on the grooms farm near Elwin. The wedding was a quiet affair and attended by only the intimate friends of the couple. Mr. and Mrs. Luther Martin of this city and Dr. and Mrs. Toby o Danville were among the guests.

WORK OF RESCUE.

PORT ROYAL, S. C., February 15—Seven more seamen of the wrecked steamer Lawrence were rescued by a pilot boat. The captain is still missing.

WEEDS THAT ARE EDIBLE.

What we call pigweed and scorn to look at the Europeans cultivate. It makes a fine summer green and pot herb and when properly boiled is tender and succulent. In California the Chinese have begun to cultivate it.

The dandelion is now eaten by many Americans in the spring, but we are still behind Europeans in our consumption of it. Around Paris the market gardeners cultivate it on a large scale.

While we consider wild chicory or succory a pestilential weed, in Europe it is raised in the gardens and the leaves blanched like celery.

The curled-leaved mallow is an annual plant originally brought to this country from Europe, where it is raised more for garnishing dishes than for eating.

Our common pokeweed has been taken to France, where the gardeners grow it as a pot herb, but in this country it would be pretty hard work to make anyone eat it.

Purslain is another edible weed that is abundant in nearly every old garden or neglected field. In Europe there are several cultivated kinds of purslain, but they all originally came from the common purslain of the fields. When mixed in salads, eaten boiled as spinach, or pickled, the plants make excellent summer diet.

Our common nettle, milkweed and hound-leaf mallow are good food plants. They are edible weeds that thrive in abundance in all parts of the country, and often in places where few other plants will live. In Scotland, Poland and Germany the tender leaves of the common nettle are gathered as a pot herb for soups or for dishes like spinach. The peculiar flavor of the weed is highly esteemed by the Germans, and it is mixed with cabbage, spinach and similar greens, to give piquant taste.

AMONG RELIGIOUS BODIES.

Of the 25,000 German Baptists fully one-fourth are said to be converts from Romanism.

The Young Men's Hebrew association of Savannah, Ga., recently celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary.

Catholicism is making progress in China. It is computed that the number of Chinese Catholics is about 581,775.

Mrs. Eddy's "mother church" (Christian Science), in Boston, has 12,000 "general" members. Besides these there are in the United States 58,000.

The Young Woman's Christian association of New York city has 205 active members and 315 associate members. The Bible class has a regular attendance of 500.

The smallest church in actual use by an English-speaking congregation is in Lullington, Sussex, England. It is about 16 by 20 on the interior, with very thick buttressed walls, and so much space is occupied by a disproportionate pulpit that only about 30 worshipers can crowd into the room. It was built in medieval times.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

United we stand, but divided we are misunderstood.

A fox has a reputation for shrewdness among silly old hens.

The crusty old bachelor if consistent would make his own bread.

The telephone enables some man to lie without becoming confused.

The more of a nobody a man is the more important he thinks he is.

Patience is all right in its place, but it is better to back tenacity to win.

Many a man who thought himself wise has been declared otherwise by a jury.

But few people are satisfied with their fortune or dissatisfied with their own wit.

After a politician has been dead 30 or 40 years he is sometimes referred to as a statesman.

When a man steals he does it for himself; but when a woman steals she does it for some worthless man.—Chicago Daily News.

WHAT THE WOMEN ARE DOING.

Russia possesses over 300 female doctors.

The first restaurant for women only was recently opened in Copenhagen.

Dealers in pet animals and birds say that women buy more than half the dogs.

A Norway (Me.) girl has just finished writing a novel and has put in it in type with her own hands.

At the recent sanitary congress Mrs. Wakeford suggested that a girl should not be allowed to marry until she possessed a knowledge of sick nursing, sanitation, cooking, a knowledge of the human body, personal hygiene and the duties of motherhood.

Chinese women, at least about Shanghai, are becoming very up to date. It is becoming by no means unusual to see fair celestial cyclists in the streets, and the new weekly Feminine Magazine's staff is entirely composed of Chinese ladies.

FACTS BACKED BY FIGURES.

There are 1,000 electric lamps in the white house.

The average gas jet consumes five feet of gas per hour.

One pound of Indian tea will make 170 strong cups of the beverage.

The distance from the farthest point of polar discovery to the pole itself is 460 miles.

The average height of the human race is, for men, five feet six inches; for women, five feet two inches.

No fewer than 2,401 patents have been taken out on processes for making sugar and salt.

Under Spanish rule a chief source of income to church and state in the Philippines was a lottery, which yielded $200,000 per month.

A capital idea for a writer is to have money enough in bank to enable him to write checks.

WHY COUGH

Why cough and risk consumption, when the celebrated Dr. John W. Bull's Cough Syrup will cure you at once? It never fails to cure throat and lung troubles. For bronchitis, sore throat and hoarseness it is invaluable.

Dr. Bull's COUGH SYRUP

Will cure a Hacking Cough.

Doses are small and pleasant to take. Doctors [illegible]

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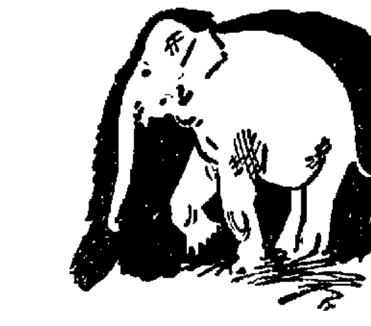

A WHITE ELEPHANT...

May be a valuable possession, but not to you. Our SUITS AND OVERCOATS will be more valuable and will not prove an elephant on your hands.

At present time we are unloading at REAL BARGAINS, to close out, all our Heavy Weight Suits and Overcoats.

Men's $5 and $6 Suits..........	***$3.85***
Men's $6.50, $7 and $8 Suits.....	***4.90***
Men's $9, $9.50 and $10 Suit.....	***6.75***
Men's $12 Suit..............	***8.50***
Men's $15 Suit..............	***9.75***
Men's $18 Suit..............	***12.75***

Men's Pant Sale...

Winter Weight--Prices the Lowest you ever bought them for.

Men's $5.00 and $6.00 Pants..............	$3.95
Men's $4.00 and $4.50 Pants..............	$2.95
Men's $3.50 and $3.75 Pants..............	$2.60
Men's $3.00 and $2.50 Pants..............	$2.15
Men's $2.00 and $2.25 Pants..............	$1.60

OTTENHEIMER & CO.,

The Reliable Clothiers, Hatters and Furnishers.

MASONIC TEMPLE BLOCK.

The ARCADE.

Make Money by Trading Here.

Opening New Spring Goods.

Cleaning Out the Winter Goods.

New Percales, yard 5c.

We have just received a shipment of this season's patterns in double-fold [illegible] Percales. These goods are [illegible] and dark styles, mostly dark [illegible] this shipment, and they are very good for shirt waists and children's dresses, [illegible], blue and fancy effects, at yard, 5c.

New Ducks, yard 10c.

[illegible] Ducks, in solids, stripes and [illegible] and blacks, will be especially [illegible] for early spring skirts. Yard, 10c.

New Piques, yard 12½c.

[illegible] shipment on 30 Piques has [illegible] and this fashionable fabric [illegible] light and dark styles, in [illegible] and dots, at yard, 12½c

Jeweled Side Combs, 25c.

[illegible] Jeweled Side Combs, a [illegible]

Men's Work Gloves, 50c.

[illegible] a cheap, flimsy affair [illegible] only about a week. It [illegible] a genuine calf palm, has [illegible] thumb, is Asbestol tan, [illegible] proof and is the best [illegible] purposes that is [illegible] It's worth 75c, here 50c.

Men's Felt Boots, $1.69.

[illegible] cases of men's felt boots [illegible] we are anxious to close [illegible] this cold snap and we make [illegible] price now, pair, $1.69.

Men's Arctics, $1.19.

[illegible] quality (not the cheap [illegible] kind) arctics, will give good [illegible] marked $1.19. Boys' arctics 90c; Misses' arctics, 75c.

Boys' Felt Boots, $1.49.

Our stock of boys' felt boots, worth $2.00 a pair, to close now at $1.49.

Cups and Saucers, Set 29c.

Iron stone china cups and saucers plain, white, most everybody gets 50c a set, here, set, 29c.

New Ginghams, 10c.

New and dainty styles in dress ginghams, in medium and light styles, the famous Parkhill goods, yard, 10c.

Corded Zephyrs, 15c.

Corded zephyr ginghams, the newest and prettiest of the spring wash goods, look like 25c goods, for 15c.

Cotton Coverts, yard 12½c.

A new lot of those cotton covert cloths make very serviceable skirts and many are used for boys' dresses, wear and wash well, very serviceable, in medium and dark mixtures, yard, 12½c.

New Plaids, yard 15c.

A small shipment of new double fold plaids, in the very prettiest styles for waists and children's dresses, granite effects and yard, 15c.

Grocery Dep't.

GRANULATED SUGAR.
The best standard make.
18 POUNDS FOR $1.00.

POTATOES.
Fine, solid, Minnesota Burbanks, worth 10 cents a bushel more than the peddler potatoes, per bushel
ONLY 50 CENTS.

KANASOTA FLOUR.
The best spring wheat flour that is sold in the city, none better at any price. 50 pound sacks, ONLY $1.05

PRUNES.
Big fat raisin cured California, run 40 to 50 to the pound. Per pound
ONLY 10 CENTS.

LEMONS.
Big, smooth waxey Messinas, as fine as is sold anywhere for thirty cents a dozen; our price per dozen,
ONLY 20 CENTS.

MOCHA AND JAVA COFFEE.
Warranted as fine as any thirty-five cent coffee sold in the city, our price per pound,
ONLY 25 CENTS.

GOLDEN RIO COFFEE.
This was for years our leading twenty-five cent coffee; now per pound,
ONLY 20 CENTS.

CRACKERS, SODA AND OYSTER.
The same grade as all small grocers get ten cents a pound for, per pound. ONLY 6 CENTS.

Only one life to live, Only one stomach to use,

Therefore put only the best into them both.

You Buy THE BEST Groceries

—AT—

HEILMAN'S, Lincoln Square.

LOCAL NEWS.

Smoke the Little Joker—5 cent cigar

Geo. W. Ehrhart loans money on any goods. Collateral, best rates. mch22-tf

You pay a little more for the clothes that Denz makes but—

California fruits at Giessner's, 143 East Prairie.

Before having your rooms papered call at W. C. Pluck & Son's and see their line of wall paper, 109 East North street.—6-d1mo

Beach's Northwest Soap costs no more than any other first-class laundry soap, but on next Saturday and Monday each purchaser of 25 cents worth will receive a 5-cent cake of Beach's Hand Soap and a 5-cent package of Beach's Purifine Soap Powder free.

The Western Union Telegraph company at St. Louis announces the following reduction in cable rates to points in Cuba and Porto Rico: Effective February 15, the rate to Havana will be 25c per word, instead of 40c, as at present. The rate to Cienfuegos, Casilda and Tunos will be 45c per word, and to Jucaro, Santa Cruz, Manzanzilo and Santiago will be 50c per word. The rate to Porto Rico will be 75c per word, instead of $1.17.

Notice to Singers.

All members of my chorus are requested to be present Thursday evening at Columbia Hall, at 7:30, February 16. S. M. Lutz.

Walks on Crutches.

Lewis Hanks, who was run over and injured by a street car early in the winter, is now able to walk about the house on crutches. He has been confined to his bed for many weeks past.

Small samples of Beach's Hand Soap and Beach's Purifine Soap Powder are being distributed throughout the city so that all may have an opportunity of testing their merits and be prepared to take advantage of the bargain sale on Saturday and Monday.

Resigned.

Conductor Funk and Motorman Charles Wise have resigned their positions with the City Electric Railway Co. Funk will go in the lumber business with his father and Wise will go to work in the Wabash shops.

Tax Notice.

Please call at office and pay your taxes. Your personal tax must be paid this month. I. C. Nicholson, Collector.

First door to the left of entrance of court house. —14-5t

A Narrow Escape.

Thankful words written by Mrs. Ada E. Hart, of Groton, S. D. "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs; cough set in and finally terminated in consumption. Four doctors gave me up, saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Savior, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles. It has cured me, and thank God I am saved and now a well and healthy woman. Trial bottles 10c, at J. E King's and C. F. Shilling's drug stores

Will Go to Blue Mound.

The following will go to Blue Mound this evening to witness the conferring of the third degree in Masonry: Messrs. Howard, Armstrong, Charles Borchers, Dr. W. A. Dixon, M. L. Downey, Guy P. Lewis, John Graves. There will be Masons present from other places and after the lodge work there will be a banquet.

Will Go to Cuba.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Conklin left last night for Palm Beach, Florida. They will go to Havana and if the travelling accommodations in the tropics are pleasant they will visit other points in Cuba. They expect to be gone about six weeks.

An Economical Lunch

A little Fruit
A little Cream
and some

Grape-Nuts.

That's enough—ready cooked sustaining and delicious.

CONVENIENT LUNCHES

Should Require No Cooking.

People who dine at night realize that the midday lunch should be small in volume, but strong in food value.

A few teaspoonsful of dry Grape-Nuts treated to a little cold (or hot) cream, is a fascinating dish for the palate and furnishes the very concentration of nourishment, so that the user does not get faint before the evening dinner. Grape-Nuts and cream with a little fruit is an ideal lunch.

PERSONAL.

—Dr. Wilbur C. Wood is in Chicago on business.

—W. L. Ferguson is in Chicago.

—Miss Hattie Ellinger of Springfield is the guest of Decatur friends.

—The small son of Dr. and Mrs. Will Barnes is ill with pneumonia.

—Mrs. M. B. Spayd is recovering from an illness of three weeks duration.

—Miss Knight of St. Louis and Miss Hyland of Beloit, N. Y., are the guests of the Misses Voorhies.

—Mrs. Charles Mapes has gone to Urbana to be with her sister who is seriously ill.

—Miss Fleta Downing is the guest of relatives at Salem, Ill.

—I. D. Baldwin, who has been in New York in the interests of the Pratt Cereal Mills, will return home this week.

—Robert L. Tatman of Monticello, master-in-chancery of Piatt county, is said to be dangerously ill. He is suffering with blood poisoning.

—State's Attorney Mansfield of Piatt county is still at the hospital in Chicago where he has gone for treatment for stomach trouble.

—Mrs. V. N. Hostetler, daughter Ruth and mother, Mrs. Parker, will leave this evening for Deming, New Mexico, where they will spend several months hoping to benefit Mrs. Parker's health.

—Miss Mary McDowell of Chicago, who will talk on "The New Philanthrophy" at the federation meeting at the Woman's club on Thursday evening will arrive this evening and will be the guest of Mrs. Eugenia Bacon.

MASQUERADE BALL

Given Last Evening by Members of Turner Society at Their Hall.

The masquerade ball given last evening by the members of the Turner society at their hall on South Broadway, was largely attended. The opera house orchestra furnished music for a long program of dances. The grand march was led by Karl Walter as prince of the carnival and Miss Henrietta Metz as princess. Before the march all the maskers gathered on the stage, in the center of which was a big bottle. The fool appeared and broke the bottle, from which emerged the prince. The princess came from the wings and joined him and the two led the grand march to the hall. Little Irene Weigand acted as a page to the princess. A cake walk was given by two couples of colored people and the dancing followed. The masquerade was a success both financially and socially.

THE COLDEST WINTER.

John Imboden on the Decatur Temperature for 43 Years.

Eds. Republican:—This was the coldest winter since 1855 and 1856. When Churchman said he "saw thousands of winters in Pennsylvania, but never saw one like this," I built my first meat shop on South Main street, 16x32, one and one-half stories high, of rough boards set on blocks and got in a little before Christmas. Meat froze as hard as wood. We had no coal and only one railroad—the Central—the Wabash not being finished. I had a big wood stove in the shop and burned green hickory wood, filling the stove in the evening and about 4 o'clock in the morning I found the sap had dropped out of one piece inside the stove with a pin of ice the same piece burning in back end of the stove. Most all the peach trees in the county were killed by freezing and on the Davis farm near Mt. Zion a large number of walnut trees from eight to ten inches in diameter were killed by frost. Beginning of January, 1856, we had snow one foot deep and no sidewalk. I fixed some plank in V shape and with a horse attached made paths for customers to come for meat. I made the first plank sidewalk south of East and West Main street, around my meat market. J. IMBODEN.

One Dollar Club Entertained.

Mrs. S. P. Young of West North street entertained the One Dollar club on Tuesday afternoon. The club is composed of Mesdames V. H. Parke, W. J. Quinlan, Vennigerholtz, O. B. Gorin, Furman Roach, J. A. Meriweather, J. R. Race, J. M. Maris, J. G. Stauffer, Ed Carter, William Voorhies and S. P. Young. Six-hand euchre is the diversion and the expenses for refreshments are confined to a $1 limit.

The County Fair.

The managers of the County Fair, which is to be given in this city by the members of Goodman's band are advertising the event widely. Advertising matter will be sent to all the neighboring cities and towns and if advertising will bring a large attendance there will be plenty of people present at the fair.

Bought the Richhart Farm.

W. H. Ennis has purchased a farm of 480 acres in Shelby county east of Moweaqua from Bayless Richhart for a consideration of $23,000. Mr. Richhart will locate at Crowley, La., and will enter into the cultivation of the rich rice lands at that place. This deal makes Mr. Ennis one of the largest land holders in the county.

A Valentine.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. John C. White of 1100 West Macon street on Tuesday, February 14, a daughter.

TO BE WORN THIS SPRING.

Imported skirts showing large plaids of green and red combined.

Cloth suits for girls in smooth-faced materials trimmed with braid.

Beautiful organdies in designs of black, white and gray arranged in stripes or scrolls.

White poplin reception costumes made with a richly-trimmed tunic in heavy lace.

Long fichu scarfs of lace, net or liberty with shirred, frilled or lace-trimmed ends.

The combination of feathers with flowers is the predominating idea for spring millinery in Paris.

Whole foliage hats, in garlands, amazon bands, massed erect and under brim trimmings, will be shown and adopted.

Wash fabrics are distinctly favored for this spring season. Domestic producers are behind in their orders, and even woolen dress goods houses are going into the converting of cotton fabrics. In the present time of elaboration this liberal use of cotton fabrics means the free consumption of laces, narrow ribbon and other delicate trimmings.—Dry Goods Economist.

SOME TRIED RECIPES.

Eggless Cookies.—Two cupfuls of sugar, one cupful of milk and butter, half a teaspoonful of nutmeg, half a teaspoonful of soda and flour enough to roll.—Good Housekeeping.

Floating Island.—One quart of milk, four eggs, whites and yolks beaten separately, four tablespoonfuls of white sugar and one teaspoonful of vanila extract.—Boston Budget.

Pop Overs.—Two cupfuls flour, two cupfuls sweet milk, two eggs, butter size of walnut melted, a little salt and two teaspoonfuls baking powder. Mix well, put in hot buttered gem pans, and bake in a quick oven.—Farmers' Voice.

Corn Dodgers.—Mix one tablespoonful of sugar with two cupfuls of best corn meal. Scald with one cupful of boiling water. Add rich milk to make a batter thin enough to drop from a spoon. Lastly, add one egg, yolk and white beaten separately, and bake on a griddle in the oven from three-fourths of an hour to one hour.—Good Health.

ODD FACTS ABOUT ANIMALS.

It is estimated that one crow will destroy 700,000 insects every year.

The pearl oyster begins to produce pearls when it is six or seven years old.

While the turkey's natural life is only ten years, the goose sometimes lives to 50 years.

The guinea pig grows more quickly than any other quadruped. It is fully grown when six weeks old and begins to bear young at two months.

Humming birds in Minora, one of the Philippines, are very pugnacious. Hundreds of them simultaneously attack a huntsman and seriously injure him.

When Bohemian geese are to travel long distances to market, they are first compelled to repeatedly walk over patches of tar mixed with sand. This combination forms a thick crust on their feet, and serves to protect them

WORTH REMEMBERING.

The best carver will let the knife slip sometimes, unless it is kept very sharp.

The great point in cooking a potato, by whatever method, is to know when it is done.

To give a fine flavor to corned beef hash use good soup stock for moistening, with a pinch of salt, sugar and cayenne.

To give an appetizing flavor to broiled beefsteak cut an onion in half and rub it over the hot platter with the melted butter.

The resistance of glass jars that refuse to open can be overcome by setting them top downward in an inch or two of hot water.—Good Housekeeping.

Bargain Sale on Soap.

In order to introduce our soaps in Decatur we have made arrangements with the grocers of the city to give on Saturday and Monday to each purchaser of 25 cents worth of our Northwest Soap a 5-cent cake of Beach's Hand Soap and a very large 5-cent package of Beach's Purifine Soap Powder free.

We do this because we know that if you will give our goods a fair trial you will always use them. However, after using one cake of our Northwest Soap, if you are not entirely satisfied with your bargain, you may return the balance to your grocer and your money will be refunded. After Monday, Feb. 20th, these soaps will be sold at the regular retail prices.

JAMES BEACH & SONS.

Tax Notice.

Please call at office and pay your taxes. Your personal tax must be paid this month. I. C. Nicholson, Collector.

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Died at Niantic.

The 11 year old son of Mrs. George Eaton died at her home at Niantic yesterday of pneumonia.

There had been up to Saturday 25 conversions and 13 accessions in the Free Methodist revival at Mason City.

A PURE GRAPE CREAM OF TARTAR POWDER

·DR· PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

Awarded

Highest Honors, World's Fair Gold Medal, Midwinter Fair

PECULIAR POISONS

Generated in the Human Body—The Result of Imperfect Digestion of Food.

Every living thing, plant or animal, contains within itself the germs of certain decay and death.

In the human body these germs of death (called by scientists Ptomaines), are usually the result of imperfect digestion of food; the result of indigestion or dyspepsia.

The stomach, from abuse, weakens, does not promptly and thoroughly digest the food. The result is a heavy, sodden mass which ferments (the first process of decay) poisoning the blood, making it thin, weak and lacking in red corpuscles: poisoning the brain causing headaches, pain in the eyes.

Bad digestion weakens the heart, causing palpitation and finally bringing on disease of this very important organ.

Poor digestion poisons the kidneys, causing bright's disease and diabetes.

And this is so because every organ, every nerve depends upon the stomach alone for nourishment and renewal, and weak digestion shows itself not only in loss of appetite and flesh, but in weak nerves and muddy complexion.

The great English scientist, Huxley, said the best start in life is a sound stomach. Weak stomachs fail to digest food properly, because they lack the proper quantity of digestive acids (lactic and hydrochloric) and peptogenic products: the most sensible remedy in all cases of indigestion, is to take after each meal one or two of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, because they supply in a pleasant, harmless form all the elements that weak stomachs lack.

The regular use of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets will cure any form of stomach trouble except cancer of the stomach.

They increase flesh, insure pure blood, strong nerves, bright eye and clear complexion, because all these result only from wholesome food well digested.

Nearly all druggists sell Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets at 50 cents full sized package or by mail by enclosing price to Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich., but ask your druggist first. A little book on stomach diseases mailed free. Address Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich.

CHARITY CONCERT.

Program of the Charity Concert at the Tabernacle.

The program for the charity concert to be given by local musicians for the benefit of the Christian Union Mission on Wednesday night, February 15, at the Christian tabernacle, is as follows:

Orchestral Opening, Selected—Opera House Orchestra.

Vocal Solo, Winter Lullaby—Miss Hovey.

Piano Solo, On the Mountains, (Greig)—Miss Marie Powers.

Recitation, The Wind, (Eugene Field)—Miss Elizabeth Terry.

Vocal Duet, Night Hymn at Sea, (Goring Thomas)—Mrs. R. I. Hunt and J. W. Starling.

Piano Solo, Polonaise, (Nicode)—Miss Neta Clark.

Vocal Solo, Selected—Mrs. Lee B. Millikan.

Violin Solo, Ballad Polonaise (Vieuxtomps)—Miss Jeanette Powers.

Recitation, Selected—Miss McNally.

Vocal Solo, Your Voice, (Denze)—Mrs. Logan.

Vocal Duet, The Star of Love, (Nevin)—Mr. and Mrs. Lee B. Millikan.

Piano Solo, Polocco Brilliant, (Weber)—Miss Grace Gillmore.

Vocal Solo with Cello Obligato, Loves Rhapsody, (Bartlett)—Mrs. Elizabeth Knieper Bunn and Dr. T. F. Childs.

Vocal Quartet, (a) The Night Has a Thousand Eyes, (Nevin); (b) Dream the Dream That's Sweetest, (Perkins)—Miss Howard, Mr. Kepler, Mrs. Howard, Mr. Lindamood.

Tickets 25 cents. **For sale at Frank Curtis' jewelry store and the North Main Street Woamn's Exchange.—18-d3t**

An Honest Medicine for La Grippe.

George W. Waitt, of South Gardiner, Me., says: "I have had the worst cough, cold, chills and grip and have taken lots of trash of no account but profit to the vendor. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the only thing that has done any good whatever. I have used one 50 cent bottle and the chills, cold and grip have all left me. I congratulate the manufacturers of an honest medicine." For sale by H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard.

M. W. Initiation at Casner.

The Modern Woodmen of Casner will initiate five new members on Friday evening, February 24. The Forester team of Modern Woodman No. 1626 of this city have been asked to take charge of the work of initiation and a number of the members of the local camps will probably attend. The initiation is to be followed by a banquet.

Died at Champaign.

Mrs. Elein Bixby died at her home in Champaign on last Friday. Her death was sudden and unexpected. She was well known in Decatur having visited the late Mrs. H. C. Anthony a number of times.

Y. M. C. A. Board.

The members of the board of directors of the Y. M. C. A. held a meeting last evening. They allowed a number of bills and transacted other routine business. The applications of 20 new members were voted upon.

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ROOSEVELT'S AMERICANISM.

In a speech at the Republican club banquet in New York Governor Roosevelt discussed the question of expansion. In doing so he touched the core of the whole matter and took the only logical and patriotic ground that the question affords. The clearness with which he declares the duty of our country as a nation shows how infinitsimal are those who oppose expansion as it is presented under present conditions. He said:

"No sensible man will advocate our plunging rashly into a course of international knight errantry, and set deliberately to work to build up a colonial empire. But neither will any brave and patriotic man bid us shrink from doing our duty merely because the duty involves the certainty of strenuous effort and the possibility of danger.

"Some men of high principle, from high motives, have opposed the ratification of the treaty, just as they had previously opposed the ratification of the treaty, just as they had previously opposed the war, just as some other men whose motives were equally high in 1861 opposed any effort to restore the union by force of arms. The error was almost as great in the one case as in the other, and will be so adjudged by history, and in one case as in the other the two main impulses which gave strength to the opposition were ignoble in their very essence—the impulse of sloth and fear.

"We should not lightly court danger and difficulty, but neither should we shirk from facing them when in some way or other they must be met. We are a mighty nation and upon us rests the responsibilities that belong to all great nations. We can not avoid meeting them. We can only decide whether we shall meet them well or ill. We now have certain duties in populous islands in the West and East Indies. We can not with honor shirk these duties altogether. Neither on the one hand nor on the other must we fail to perform these duties in a way that will redound to the advantage of the people of the islands as well as to the honor of this nation. It is, I am sure, the desire of every American that the people of each island, as they show themselves fit for self-government, shall be given a larger measure of self-government.

"If we refrain from doing our own part of the world's work, then it will have to be done by people stronger than we are, for we will have shown ourselves weaklings. We must give the Filipinos absolute justice, and above all else it is essential that we should treat them with firmness and courage. They must be made to realise absolutely that we are the masters.

"The insurrection must be stamped out as carefully as possible, but it must be stamped out. We have put an end to the corrupt mediaeval tyranny, and by so doing we have bound ourselves to provide against any outbreak of anarchy or savagery."

THE McENERY RESOLUTION.

The Senate passed the McEnery resolution yesterday by a vote of 26 to 22, showing that a bare quorum voted on the proposition. This clearly demonstrates the utter lack of interest taken in it in that body and that it will utterly fail in the House, perhaps will never be heard of. The resolution simply declares that by the ratification of the treaty we do not incorporate the people of the Philippines into our citizenship nor is that act to be construed as premanently annexing the Philippines as an integral part of the United States but that we will establish a government there suitable to the wants, conditions and inhabitants of said islands, prepare them for local self-government and in due time make such disposition of said islands as well best promote the interests of the citizens of the United States and the inhabitants of said islands.

Such a declaration is practically meaningless and a matter of supererogation. The future of the Philippines will be determined by future Congresses without reference to what the present Congress, which has but a few days longer to serve, may think or say. But the little Americans had to have some little bauble to satisfy them and a careful reading of the resolution will make clear how easily their wants were satisfied. Such a resolution may deceive Aguinaldo and cause him to do some more fighting, but it won't deceive the American people nor save the reputation of the fellows in the Senate who encouraged Aguinaldo to fire on American troops and voted against the ratification of the treaty.

A proposition touching the future of the Philippines that can only draw out 48 votes in the Senate, 26 for and 22 against, when the body consists of 90 members is already so utterly discredited and sneered at to be unworthy of serious notice. It is the last that will be heard of it. The little Americans are probably satisfied. They have been given a penny whistle to please them for the moment, but like all little fellows the whistle will be lost and forgotten in a week and they will be absorbed in a game of marbles on the sunny side of Uncle Sam's magnanimity.

CASTORIA.
The Kind You Have Always Bought

Aguinaldo's new embassador who arrived in San Francisco is so much overcome by the kindness of the American people that he proposes to insist that Agoncillo shall enter into an honorable peace with the United States. He forgets that neither he nor Agoncillo are at the proper place to do that. They should be where they might cause the rebels to lay down their arms. The United States is not treating with men who claim to represent anything but American sovereignty in the Philippines. If the Filipinos want peace they can have it by laying down their arms. Otherwise they can have trouble and lots of it.

Since the report of the war inquiry board there has been a general change on the part of those papers that heretofore have defended Miles. The impression now is that if Miles and his staff surgeon knew that chemically perpared beef was used they are culpable for not reporting the matter, thus endangering the lives and health of the troops, and if they did not know what they charged to be true then they have acted in bad faith. The general impression is that Miles has put his foot, spurs and all, in it.

Expansion was not an issue when Abraham Lincoln was president, but he took great care not to permit anybody to take any territory out of the union and lost no sleep over the proposition that now staggers the little Americans so much, namely, governing somebody without the consent of the governed. Ten states were brought back into the union and governed without their consent.

The Review is engaged in bringing out Democratic candidates for the mayoralty and several other offices. The remarkable feature of all its candidates according to its gospel is that all the candidates it names are being pressed by "many Republicans" to allow the use of their names.

When the board of inquiry gets through with General Miles he will be about the correct size for a Democratic anti-expansionist candidate for president in 1900.

A change of 50 degrees to a higher temperature in 36 hours is as consoling as Otis' victory over the "young Washington" of Luzon.

When General Otis wanted Iloilo he gave General Miller the word and he took it.

REFINED TORTURE

It is on the Decrease in Decatur Now —A Citizen Explains Why.

Year in and year out many of our citizens have struggled along bearing unnecessary burdens of the back, seeking relief from sources where it could not be found, suffering the refined torture that goes with a refined back. The little conqueror has brought about a wondrous change, and from all parts come the same report. Hundreds of grateful citizens hasten to endorse the good work and so speak publicly of their own personal benefit, read what

Mr. C. W. Carter of 1440 East Condit street, says: "Nine years ago I had a paralytic stroke which affected my limbs so that I couldn't walk and it also left my kidneys in a weak condition. I had a second shock which still further weakened my kidneys, and since then I have had no control whatever over them as the secretions were much too frequent in action and contained a brick dust sediment. Now, I don't mean to convey the impression that Doan's Kidney Pills restored the use of my limbs and cured my paralysis, but I must say this in favor of them, they have strengthened my back and kidneys in every way and the secretions are normal in color and regular in action. I used two boxes and they gave me a great deal of benefit. You may publish my statement so that others who may be in need of a good kidney remedy may learn to appreciate the value of Doan's Kidney Pills."

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N. Jackson, Danville, Ill., writes: My daughter had a severe attack of la grippe seven years ago and since then whenever she takes cold a terrible cough settles on her lungs. We tried a great many remedies without giving relief. She tried Foley's Honey and Tar which cured her. She has never been troubled with a cough since. 25c. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard

Miss Kitty Reed, the speaker's good-looking daughter, is on the House pay roll, receiving $1600 annually for services rendered as stenographer to her father.

W. S. Gilbert cultivates other things besides the muse of poetry. He is an amateur agriculturalist, and takes great delight in his Jersey cows, of which he is very proud.

Help a man out of trouble and he will remember you when he gets in trouble again.

GLIMPSE AT STORE LIFE.

It Possesses Some Features Similar to Those of a Small Community.

"It would surprise an outsider to know how much a great retail store resembles a town," remarked a clerk in such an establishment, reports the New Orleans Times-Democrat. "It has all the familiar characters of a small community and all of its gossip, its circles and inner circles, and its class distinctions. In a modern department house you will find certain social leaders and their regulation system of satellites, all fully developed. There will be one group that goes in for frivolity, and another group that goes in for literature and art, and people who are plotting and scheming to get into this set or that, just as they do in the outer world. It is very quaint and amusing. One employe will have a great reputation as a wit and another is spoken of as a remarkable musical genius; certain sections of the establishment will be regarded as aristocratic, while others are looked upon as rather plebeian. In short, the store is a little municipality within itself, and its people are curiously isolated from the outside public. They revolve in their own particular orbits, the gossip that flies about the place deals with the people inside its walls, and they care very little for any other news. Their feeling toward another establishment is a good deal like the feeling between two rival towns, and the other folks in the city are all more or less aliens and outlanders. It's a very curious life, and has to be seen from the inside to be fully understood. Zola tried to paint it in one of his novels, but he missed it by miles."

HOMES IN MANILA.

How People Live in Uncle Sam's Newly Acquired Asiatic Territory.

The better houses in Manila differ in some ways from any other in the world. Always of two stories, there is a high stone basement, with a carriage way to the court, where are the servants' quarters and domestic offices. The upper story is of wood, being complete in itself, so that in case of an earthquake it will settle together. The ceilings are covered with cloth instead of plaster. A wide stairway leads up from the carriage way. Between three and four feet above the floor of this story is a wide window ledge with grooves running the whole length of every side. In these grooves slide blinds and also frames in which are set small squares of oyster shell (called "conchas"). Both blinds and conchas run the full length of each side. Either or both can be closed at the same time, and both can be slid back to the width of one at each end, leaving the whole side open, and allowing the air to circulate as freely as in a shed. The roofs were formerly made of heavy curved tiles. Now galvanized iron is used, as it vastly decreases the chance of the roof falling during an earthquake, and lessens the damage if it does. On the other hand the iron roof is much more likely to be blown off by the terrible typhoons. The native houses are built of bamboo, with thatched roofs made of the leaf of the nipa palm and elevated from six to ten feet on bamboo poles.

USED HIS BEST FRENCH.

But There Is Some Doubt as to Whether Monsieur Monvel Understood Him.

It was at the recent De Monvel reception in Chicago, and one of the couples standing in line didn't know enough of French between them to put at the head of a menu card. The young man couldn't even say: "Hang it!" in any other tongue than his own, and the young woman was earnestly endeavoring to share the few scattered phrases from the language of Cyrano and De Monvel which she had painstakingly acquired for the occasion, with him.

"Bon soir, M. Monvel," she patiently and persistently instructed him to say; "un affaire tres charmante," and to this the young fellow consented, albeit with much reluctance and not a little grumbling.

"I'll bet it would do every bit as well if I remarked 'E pluribus unum' or 'auf wiedersehen,'" he complained, as they drew near to the great man, and when they stood in front of this magnificent personage his companion nearly fainted. The young man's confidence and self-assurance had deserted him entirely, and "Good evening, Mr. Monsieur; e pluribus unum," was what he really said.

Animal Epicures.

In its stories of animal life the Strand Magazine tells of an old sheep dog that was used to keep foxes away from a chicken farm and who did it successfully. Nevertheless the chickens would disappear. Out of a brood of 25 there would be left only three. The dog was at last suspected, but as he would permit the chickens to climb all over him this was considered a libel. But close watching showed that early in the morning when none but chickens were astir, of which the dog would make sure by listening at the house doors and looking up at the windows, he would turn to and treat himself to a good square meal of chicken. Another story is of a horse that, having been treated to bread at a customer's once or twice, would, when he had a chance, cross the sidewalk and with his mouth hammer the brass knocker on the door until his wants were attended to.

A Great Cat Town.

There are said to be 400,000 cats in London, of which half are "unattached," and live largely on refuse. In one district near a very large and famous brewery a number of ownerless cats go regularly as soon as the gates are open to hunt for rats in the brewery stores.

There are about 11,000,000 Jews in the world, half of them under Russian jurisdiction.

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A raw egg with the yolk unbroken taken in a glass of wine is beneficial for convalescents.

White of egg beaten with loaf sugar and lemon relieves hoarseness—a teaspoonful taken once every hour.

It is said that a raw egg swallowed at once when a fish bone is caught in the throat beyond the reach of the finger will dislodge the bone and carry it down.

The white of a raw egg turned over a burn or scald is most soothing and cooling. It can be applied quickly, and will prevent inflammation, besides relieving the stinging pain.

The white of a raw egg is the most satisfactory of pastes, and is better than any prepared mucilage or paste one can buy. Papers intended to be put over tumblers of jelly and jam will hold very securely and be airtight if dipped in the white of an egg.

One of the best remedies in case of bowel troubles is a partly beaten raw egg taken at one swallow. It is healing to the inflamed stomach and intestines, and will relieve the feeling of distress. Four eggs taken in this manner in 24 hours will form the best kind of nourishment as well as medicine for the patient.

A raw egg is one of the most nutritious of foods, and may be taken very easily if the yolk is not broken. A little nutmeg grated upon the egg, a few drops of lemon juice added, some chopped parsley sprinkled over it, or some salt and a dash of cayenne pepper, vary the flavor and tend to make it more palatable when not taken as a medicine. —Good Housekeeping.

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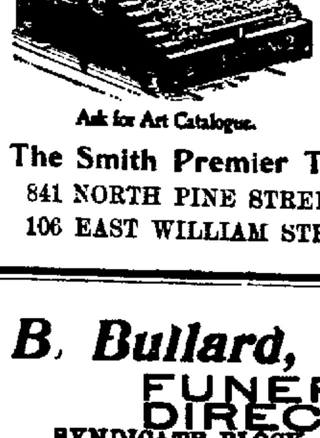

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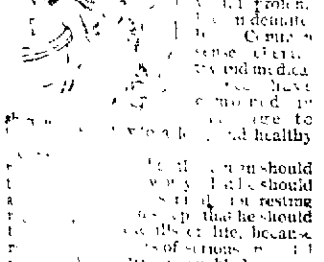

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CAME OFF HIS PERCH.

Rooster Dodged Missiles, But a Woman with a Broom Brought Him Down.

A rooster belonging to a College street man got out the other evening and flew about the yard, dexterously eluding every attempt to catch him till the owner gave it up, and left him to his fate. Next morning the rooster was perched high in a tree, apparently stiff and stark. The owner was conscience-stricken. "I ought to have gone out after dark and got him. He froze to death last night and I am to blame I have got to get a pole and knock him out of that tree. I shall be arrested for cruelty," he said to his wife So he went out, armed with a couple of sticks of wood, says the Lewiston (Me.) Journal.

These he threw at the frozen rooster for an hour without success, and a good-sized crowd of neighbors stood about, suggesting ways to get the bird down One went and got a revolver and shot away at it for some time, but the bird still sat there, immovable, its head canted a little, and its eyes looking bleary. "You infernal copper! Do you expect to knock a frozen bird out of a tree with a revolver? The bullets would go right through it, and not budge it"

After half an hour of these vain attempts the wife of one of the neighbors came out with a long-handled broom, and, waving it, said "Sh-sh-sh-sh sh." Up flew the rooster, crowing loudly, and lit upon the ell of the house, and finally, after a victorious crow, settled down into the barn door, and ran in among the hens.

TOWN THAT CURES BALDNESS.

Those Who Go Away and Lose Their Hair Return and Get It Back.

"If I had money," said a Norristown man, according to the Philadelphia Record. "I'd exploit the little village of Waretown, on Barnegat bay. Waretown is not wonderful on account of its excellent fishing and gunning, but on account of its power of curing baldness. Call me, if you will, a liar, but the fact remains that not a bald-headed man is to be found within five miles of Waretown, and any bald stranger who goes there to live and just gets out bareheaded as often as possible, on the bay and in the black grass meadows, begins to thatch up right away, and in a year has a crop that isn't a thing but smooth! When I was down last, in '95, I met a man named Henry Camburn—you know they're all Camburns pretty much down there. Well, Henry, though an old man, had a head of thick, soft brown hair like a boy's, and he said it was his third crop.

"Twice had he lived away from Waretown and got bald, but he came back each time, and so did his hair. I believe that the pure, strong winds, that smell of pines and the sea cause this thing, and if I had money I would get together a colony of bald-heads, take them down to Waretown, keep them out all day, and every day fishing in the summer, ducking in the winter, without any hats, and in a year I would discharge them cured. I could easily charge them $1,000 a head. Any man, if he had it, would pay that."

A PERSEVERANCE TEST.

The Western Union's Way of Dealing with Female Applicants for Employment.

Many girls are employed at the Western Union Telegraph company's main office in filing dispatches and other work requiring no great skill. Now, although they get only the current wages of workers in such employments, there are always many applicants for every vacancy. In view of this fact the company has adopted an interesting method of dealing with applications. Every girl applying is questioned as to her age, education and residence. Furthermore, her height is taken. The facts as to the applicant are then filed for future reference, and she is advised in case she is really anxious for a place to return at the end of four months should she not hear from the company before that time. The reasons for this advice is that the list of applications is destroyed every four months, says the New York Sun.

Many applicants never come a second time; some, however, come a second, a third or even a fourth time, and, although the officers of the company hold out no special hope to any applicant, they do say that here, as elsewhere, perseverance often succeeds The requirement that the applicant shall appear in person each time is an ingenious means of weeding out those applicants that lack the perseverance, which, other things being equal, is likely to make a girl more useful to the company than a girl with less of that quality.

Menelek's Amusement.

The latest news of Emperor Menelek, says the Manchester Guardian, touches his interest in surgical operations. In the hospital at Addis Abeba attached to the Russian mission, he is continually watching the surgeons at their work. Their skill often calls from him expressions of admiration. His great desire is to act the part of an assistant—for example, to hold the limb when an amputation is being performed. He never misses an operation.

Arsenic Not Allowed.

In Sweden yarn is not allowed to be sold if it contains .0009 per cent. of arsenic. A carpet has been condemned by the inspectors because it contained 1,000th part of a grain of arsenic in 16 square inches.

Quick Growth of Guinea Pigs.

The guinea pig grows more quickly than any other quadruped. It is fully grown when six weeks old, and begins to bear young at two months.

The oldest national flag in the world is that of Denmark, which has been in use since the year 1219.

The king of Italy, although the head of one of the greatest wine-producing countries, is almost an abstainer.

The ex-Empress Eugenie has some Hibernian blood in her veins, being the descendant of an Irish soldier of fortune who made a name for himself in Spain.

New Use for Catfish.

In Portland, Ore., the familiar catfish figures as a hardy pioneer and a valued adjunct to the street department, all because the terra cotta sewers and drains, especially those in the lower part of the city, frequently get choked. If the sewer is not broken, it can be cleaned by passing a rope through it, to be pulled backward and forward until the obstruction is loosened and removed. The deputy superintendent of streets has had a great deal of such work to look after, and the worry connected with getting the rope through has gone far toward thinning his hair. He has at last discovered a quick, sure and easy method. He goes to the river, catches a catfish, ties a string to its tail, drops it down a manhole into the sewer, and it at once stars for the river, and forces its way through any obstruction not as solid as brick, dragging the string after it. Then the deputy goes as far down the sewer as he deems necessary, and picks up the string, which he uses to draw a wire through the sewer, and with this a rope is pulled through, and the sewer is soon cleared. —Portland Oregonian.

A Society Girl's "Regret."

One of this year's debutantes expected to be one of a number of guests at a large dinner party, but at the last moment sent these regrets:

"I am sorry to be obliged to decline your kind invitation to your lovely dinner party, which, owing to a dreadful cold in my head, must be postponed for future enjoyment."

The debutante's mother and the hostess had been girls together, so the latter, on the strength of friendship's license, returned the above with this reply:

"We are disappointed to learn you could not be with us last evening, but everything was ready to go on the table and the guests had begun to arrive when your note was handed to me; so it was rather late to change my plans, you see; and as for having the dinner 'postponed for future enjoyment,' it was the kind that would not bear warming over, my dear." — Chicago Times-Herald.

Railway Rates in Porto Rico.

A short line is in operation between Yauco and Ponce, a distance of 22 miles, with two stations on the line at Guayanilla and Tallaboa. This railroad has an average annual income of $2,760 per mile, but it should be noted that, because of the high freight rates, $2.25 per ton for a 22-mile haul, or ten cents per ton-mile, a great part of the freight carrying between Yauco and Ponce is performed by ox carts, in successful connection with the railroad. The freight rates of the ox carts are not much lower than those of the railway, and the speed about the same. Besides this excessive charge, the railway does not offer the facilities which should obtain in this district, as it does not reach to the harbor of Ponce, where the bulk of business is done. Bulk must be broken and the goods transferred.—Antonio Mattei Lluveras, in Engineering Magazine.

Moving Staircase.

Every visitor to the Grande Magasina du Louvre at Paris has been up the wonderful moving staircase. You put your hand on a rail, you stand still, and you find, by a delightful movement, which is both exhilarating and fascinating, that you are carried from floor to floor without the least effort and without any of those unpleasant thrills which elevators always succeed in giving to nervous persons. It is worth while shopping for the sake of going up that moving staircase, and now—a long way behind the French—they have got one in London. Its carrying capacity is upward of 3,000 persons.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Sometimes Due to Modesty.

Dribbler—In my opinion, a man who writes an illegible hand does it because he thinks people are willing to puzzle over it. In other words, he is a chunk of conceit.

Scribbler—Not always. Sometimes a man writes illegibly not because he is conceited, but because he is modest.

"Modest! About what?"

"About his spelling."—Stray Stories.

No Pets Among African Negroes.

It was noted by Sir Samuel Baker that a negro had never been known to tame an elephant or any wild animal. A person might travel all over Africa and never see a wild creature trained or petted. It often struck Sir Samuel that the little negro children never had a pet animal.—Chicago Chronicle.

Hereditary.

She—Sometimes you appear really manly, and sometimes you are absolutely effeminate. How do you account for it?

He—I suppose it is hereditary. Half my ancestors were males and the other half females.—Tit-Bits.

Entirely Too Hasty.

He—And now that we are married, dear, how do you think I will strike your mother?

She—Good gracious, Reuben! You're not going to begin abusing mother right away, are you?—Yonkers Sportsman.

Same Thing.

Smith—What are you doing with your war correspondents, now that the war is over?

Editor Cutting—They are writing up marriages and football games.—N. Y. Journal

Practical.

Hetty—What did he do when you sent back the ring to him?

Dolly—Acknowledged receipt and reminded me that I had forgotten the box it came in.—Philadelphia North American.

Where the Real Test Comes In.

Moses was meek, but he never primed a pump in cold weather.—Washington (Ia.) Democrat.

The Upper Ten.

In baseball circles the upper ten comprises the winning nine and the umpire.—Chicago Daily News.

At the white house in Washington $2500 worth of soap is used annually.

La Grippe is again epidemic. Every precaution should be taken to avoid it. Its specific cure is One Minute Cough Cure. A. J. Sheperd, publisher Agricultural Journal and Advertiser, Eldon, Mo., says: "No one will be disappointed in using One Minute Cough Cure for La Grippe." Pleasant to take, quick to act. H. W. Bell; N. L. Krone; C. F. Shilling, East End Drug Store.

Conversation is the vent of character as well as of thought.—Emerson.

ONLY A QUARTERBACK.

He Looked Like a Dude, But When He Lifted Something Came Loose.

The old saying that "appearances are deceptive" was very tritely exemplified one night recently, says the Philadelphia Times. Owing to the delay caused by the snowfall, the cars of the Seventeenth street line that run down Chestnut were blocked for some time in the northern part of the city. When the first of a line of ten appeared at the junction, they again found progress impeded. This time it was the switching rail which was frozen tight, and the united efforts of the motormen could not move it. There were not many people in the cars, but those who were each in turn applied his strength to the switching iron. Even a burly negro of Brobdignangian proportions failed ignominiously. There remained only one of the crowd who had not made the attempt, and he was, in the parlance of the street, "a bloomin' dude." He had spent his time in the car attentively chewing the end of his stick and reading the advertisements with a self-conscious air. He was like unto the flowers, gorgeously appareled. A long brown paddock coat surmounted an unimpeachable dress suit and a large bunch of violets dangled from his buttonhole. He got off and gazed dreamily at the proceedings. When the negro failed, divesting himself of the long coat, he threw it to a motorman, and, grabbing the iron with apparent ease, he forced back the rail and held it calmly in place while the seven cars passed over it. Then for the first time the people noticed an unlooked-for breadth of shoulders and depth of chest. "Say, mister, ain't you Sandow?" queried a little gamin. "Not quite," laughed the dude. "I only played quarter for Yale a couple of years," which again goes to prove that appearances are not only deceitful, but untruthful.

WOMEN OUTLAWS.

Young Amazons of Kurdistan Who Take to the Road as Brigands.

The Kurdish women are also devoted to an outdoor life. Quite as enterprising and indefatigable as the men in their race, they are ever on the alert, ready to leap to the saddle, where, though not graceful riders, they are at home and able to keep up with the men in their adventurous wanderings, says the New York Tribune.

A recent traveler in Kurdistan tells of meeting a girl of the Bulbassi tribe who had just killed with a spear a Turk who insulted her. This young Amazon was dressed like a man and served the chief, Fazullah Effendi, as his faithful henchman, following him in all his wanderings. The women of this tribe are all particularly hardy and intrepid Frequently they take to the road by themselves as brigands, and luckless indeed is the traveler or trader who falls into their hands. Not content with robbing him, they pinch, scourge and scratch him.

When a girl is born in Montenegro the mother says to her: "I do not wish thee beauty, but courage; heroism alone gains the love of men." And courage they possess in abundance While their husbands are away on excursions the women in the intervals of caring for the fields and flocks, take to the road and do a little looting on their own account.

IN THE BERMUDAS.

There Is a Plague of Cats and Sparrows and Too Many Worthless Curs.

People arriving in New York from Bermuda say that the island is overrun by cats and sparrows. The nuisance of the plague has even been discussed in the colonial legislature at Hamilton. Visitors from the United States seeking the balmy climate of Bermuda are complaining especially of the "cat gangs" which nightly disturb their sleep, says the New York Journal.

When the dog tax bill came up before the legislature, Dr. T. A. Outerbridge, one of the members of the council, proposed an amendment. In doing so he said:

"I should like to see the bill recast and a heavier tax put upon dogs, because we have too many worthless curs in Bermuda I should also like to see a tax put upon cats. You may laugh, but if there is any useless animal in this world it is a cat. Cats may be of some use in some countries, but they are of no use here. They do not kill rats. They do destroy our native birds.

"I have not seen a bluebird in six weeks, and there ought to be plenty of them here now from America. I have not seen one this year, and before long all our native birds will be exterminated—between the cats and the sparrows."

Hair Raises on End.

An eminent medical man, whose treatises on human hair have attracted much notice, among many other striking statements as to woman's chief beauty, remarked that "bristling," when used in speaking of the human hair, is not a figure. The hair is subject to and influenced by almost every passion of the human mind, and emotional hair of which he has treated especially, he claims is quite common. Hair looks, feels and falls differently when a person is in sorrow, joy, surprise or dejection. After a day or two of deep mental study or violent bodily exercise, a most visible difference may be detected by a practiced observer. The day is fated to come, he maintains, when this coloring in the hair will be a valuable aid in identification.

Hayti Provides Chairs for Soldiers

The Haytian government is considerate of the comfort of soldiers. Every picket is supplied with a chair.

When moral courage feels that it is in the right there is no personal daring of which it is incapable.—Leigh Hunt.

Paul Perry, of Columbus, Ga., suffered agony for thirty years, and then cured his Piles by using De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve. It heals injuries and skin diseases like magic. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, C. F. Shilling, East End Drug Store.

Each man is a hero and an oracle to somebody.—Emerson.

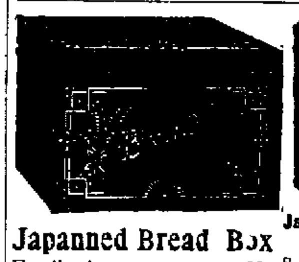
OUR FEBRUARY SALE

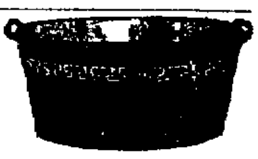
OF

...House Furnishing Goods...

Is Proving Wonderfully Popular with the Housekeepers.

Here are some New Goods which arrived too late for Monday's selling, and go on sale for the first time Wednesday morning, at the Lowest Prices ever recorded.





Japanned Bread Box
Family size..............29c
Others at..........39 and 49c

Japanned Sugar Boxes.
8-lb. size..........15c
Others at..10 and 20c

Japanned Foot Tubs, - 25c
Galvanized Foot Tubs, - - 25c

Japanned Chamber Pails...

Blue, Brown and Green.
Sells at all times, for 25c, except this time, and now....................19c
Heavy Galvanized Chamber Pails, a very great bargain, at.............25c

1 Pint Covered Buckets.......................3c
1 Quart " " 5c
2 Quart " " 7c
3 Quart " " 8c
4 Quart " " 10c
6 Quart " " 15c

1 Quart Coffee Pots....... 5c
2 Quart " " 7c
4 Quart " " 10c
5 Quart " " 15c

10 Quart Galvanized Pails, 10c
12 Quart Heavy Dairy " 19c

15c Tin Tea Kettles 10c
Extra large Solid Nickel Tea Kettles 50c

Woodenware Bargains.

Full size Zinc Washboards..........10c	Hard wood, double point Toothpicks, per box 5c
We guarantee these the equal of any board on the market at 15c.	Hard wood Knife and Fork Boxes..10c
Full Size Bread Boards.............25c	Vegetable Cutters...................10c
25 Coffee Mills for....................19c	1-lb. Butter Moulds 10c
Shelf and Towel Roller..............10c	3-arm Towel Bracket.................. 5c
40 foot Cotton Clothes Lines......... 5c	Cotton Mop Heads, (heavy)........... 5c
5-inch Ball Feather Dusters.........10c	Lunch Baskets 10c. Waste Baskets..25c
12-inch Turkey Feather Dusters ...25c	Work " 10 to 50c. Covered " 5 to 50c
7 dozen Clothes Pins for........... 5c	Willow Clothes Hampers 98c

In the face of an advancing market it is with pleasure we offer such bargains as these.

Evan S. Young 124 126 128, PRAIRIE AVENUE.

THE MINES OF JAPAN.

Silver is found in 45 places in Japan, and in 1896 afforded a yield of 1,500,000 ounces, which is equal to an increase of almost 650,000 ounces since 1893.

The gold production of Japan since 1893 has risen almost 5,000 ounces, and in 1896 reached the yield of 28,300 ounces. The 19 existing gold mines are partly in the emperor's possession, partly in that of private parties.

Very considerable is the copper production of Japan, there being at present 70 mines. During the fiscal year ended June 30 last 35,000,000 catties, or about 500,000 centners, of copper, valued at 5,800,000 yen (about $3,000,000), were mined. Since 1875 the copper production has increased almost ninefold. Most copper is sent to Hong-Kong, then to China and to England, the total export amounting to 350,000 centners—i. e., five-sevenths of the whole production.

Coal mining has, since the war with China, risen about 1,500,000 tons, and in 1897 more than 2,000,000 tons of coal, valued at about $6,000,000, were exported. Altogether there are 120 coal mines, of which, however, only about 50 are of importance. A new coal field was discovered in 1896 and work has now been commenced on it. It is situated in the province of Iburi, on the River Mukawagawa, and is said to contain 40,000,000 tons above and 30,000,000 tons below the level of the sea.

FROM VARIOUS LANDS.

Unvaccinated persons are not permitted to vote in Norway.

Natives of Ceylon believe the cocoanut tree will not grow out of the sound of the human voice.

Among the winter guests at Swiss hotels (mostly English) it is considered good form to go out without overcoats.

In Iceland men and women are in every respect political equals. The nation, which numbers about 70,000 people, is governed by representatives elected by men and women together.

The first international exposition in Japan is planned for the year 1902. The Japanese government is already getting ready to take the first preliminary steps, and a site for the exhibition is being chosen.

All the suitors for a girl's hand in Borneo are expected to be generous in their presents to her. These presents are never returned. Therefore the artful female long defers a positive selection of the happy man.

China has two immense walls. One of them surrounds Peking, and is 40 feet thick, 50 feet high, and 16 miles in circumference. The other, called the great wall of China, was built 2,115 years ago, and is nearly 1,300 miles long.

Food does more harm than good when not digested. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure digests what you eat. It prevents wasting diseases and cures stomach troubles. It cures indigestion, sour stomach and belching, and allows a wornout stomach rest. It acts instantly. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, C. F. Shilling, East End Drug Store.

MARKETS,

FURNISHED BY B. Z. TAYLOR:

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb 15.

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.	Yesterday.
Wheat—					
Feb..........	—	—	—	—	—
May..........	72¼	73	72	72⅜	72⅞
July..........	71¼	71⅜	71½	71⅜	71⅜
Corn—					
Feb..........	—	—	—	35⅛	35¼
May..........	36¾	37	36⅜	36⅞	37⅛
July..........	37½	37⅝	37	37⅛	37⅞
Oats—					
Feb..........	—	—	—	27⅛	27⅜
May..........	28⅜	28⅝	28⅛	28⅝	28⅞
July..........	26⅛	26⅜	26	26⅛	26⅜
Pork—					
May..........	9.90	10.02½	9.90	10.05½	10.02
Lard—					
May..........	5.62½	5.67½	5.60	5.65	5.62½
Ribs—					
May..........	5.00	5.02½	4.97½	5.02½	5.02½

To-Day's Receipts—Car Lots.

Wheat—159, Estimated, 183, a year ago, 49.
Corn—894; Estimated, 910 a year ago, 258
Oats—418, Estimated, 415; a year ago, 126

Estimates for Tomorrow.

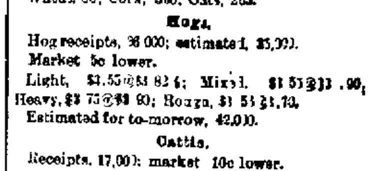
Wheat, 80, Corn, 300; Oats, 265.

Hogs.

Hog receipts, 36 000; estimated, 35,000.
Market 5c lower.
Light, $3.55@3 82½; Mixed, $3 55@3 .90; Heavy, $3 75@3 90; Rough, $3 55 $3.70.
Estimated for to-morrow, 42,000.

Cattle.

Receipts, 17,000; market 10c lower.



WHY SO MANY WEAR GLASSES.

The American people are degenerating physically

The advance of civilization imposes increased labors upon our visual sense.

Peddlers and the reckless methods employed by people in "fitting their own eyes" cause much of the trouble

Plagues devastated whole nations in olden days—now they are checked in their infancy. Eye defects that were then thought to be incurable are now remedied by the timely application of glasses.

We correct any defect to which the human eye is heir . . . .

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Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 14 and 15.

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MINSTRELS.

And Finest Uniformed Band in the World

30-Distinguished Artists-30

A Vast Organization. Beyond question Greater, Better and Superior to all Minstrels of the past and present, making it an ideal and Real Mobilization of all

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Absolutely an entire change of program since our last visit Watch for our Grand Uniformed Band Street Parade at 11:30 a. m

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A Few Rounds of Pleasure

—Given by the—

DECATUR ATHLETIC CLUB

In Fencing, Club Swinging and Boxing.

Also a Tug of War Between the

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—and the—

TURNERS.

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Seats on sale at the Opera House drug store Tuesday morning at 8 o clock sharp

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Return of Last Season's Big Success

"AT PINEY RIDGE."

A Drama of Pathos Tears, Smiles, and Rugged, Honest Comedy

Presented by the author, MR DAVID HIGGINS supported by Miss Georgia Waldron and a Superb Company.

A Carload of Special Scenery and Electrical Effects.

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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20.

BROADHURST'S

Anglo-American Success,

WHAT HAPPENED TO JONES.

Now in its 33d Successful Week a the Strand Theatre, London

THE ORIGINAL STAR COMEDY CAST.

Geo. C. Boniface, Jr	Frances Drake
Gerald Griffin	Mabel Montgomery
Frank Currier	Helen Bell
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H. F. Robert	Florence Robinson
Lew H. Newcomb	Ada Craven

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CURES **Biliousness, Constipation, Dyspepsia, Sick-Headache and Liver Complaint.**

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100 Pills 25 cents.

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JOYS OF MARRIED LIFE.

One of the Greatest of Them Is the Multiplicity of Social Obligations

"My dear" said a newly married young woman on the south side to her husband the other evening says the Chicago Inter Ocean "I have planned to have mother and father come to supper with us and spend the evening tomorrow. Mrs Johnston said to-day that she and her husband were going to call on us Thursday evening Friday evening is the dance at the Kenwood club, and you know you promised to take me to see Sothern in Russell Saturday night"

But my dear" protested her husband "we have got to go over and see the old folks some night this week And I told Billy Mitchell that I would call him up tomorrow and tell him what night before Sunday we would be at home And then you know I absolutely have to write that speech this week And where do I get any time to read or rest?"

"Yes I knew there was something else" put in his wife disregarding his question "There is a musicale at Mrs White's Saturday evening But we can't go to that I suppose"

"My dear" declared her husband solemnly, "it is all right to talk about 'doubling your joys and halving your sorrows' when you get married It is a great deal more true to say you double your engagements and halve your time"

LEFT HIS HAND AT SAN JUAN.

That Was Why a Chicago Street Car Passenger Did Not Assist a Woman

He climbed aboard the car slowly and with evident weakness and dropped into the only vacant seat, notwithstanding the fact that several women who had entered with him were left standing and that one of them was so heavily loaded with bundles that she couldn't even make use of a strap This woman planted herself directly in front of the weak looking man and swayed to and fro grimly before him glaring angrily down into his emaciated countenance the while Presently the car lurched suddenly around a corner, and one of her bundles fell to the floor with a great sound of breaking glass and china The indignant woman gathered the fragments of her ruined household treasures with hasty impulsive movements and straightening up fairly snorted at the man before her, says the Chicago Inter Ocean

You might at least have put out a hand to save it" she told him contemptuously The man colored hesitated and then spoke quietly

"I have no hand on that side madam," he said while all the other passengers listened with sympathetic interest "I left it at San Juan

BRIDGING BEHRING SEA.

Results of the Deposit of Immense Quantities of Debris by the Mighty Yukon River.

Prof W J McGee, of Washington declares that two slow but interesting changes are taking place in Behring sea The immense quantity of debris that is borne down the Yukon from its sources and sides is being deposited in the sea beyond the mouth of that mighty stream and its weight causes the bed of the sea to subside A corresponding rise in the earth's crust is produced along the chain of the Aleutian islands Now not only are the islands themselves increasing in size in consequence of being lifted up out of the water but new islands are being formed in the gaps between the others In some instances the new islands are the result of the rise and in others they are the result of volcanic action Most of the Aleutians are of volcanic origin and they mark the position of a fold in the earth's crust that is predisposed to eruption In time, Prof McGee says there is likely to be a natural bridge from America to Asia along this line but he admits that nobody now living is going to see it

The South Pole

L'Eclair of Paris recently published an elaborate article, "tres documente" signed Dagoubert, and concerning itself with the discovery of the south pole According to Dagoubert the region about the pole is inhabited and organized as a kingdom, having the name "L'Etat d'Adelie" It is said to contain 100 000 inhabitants, of whom 600 000 are French and 40 000 Papuans A traveler who, Dagoubert says, happened to reach this country of the south pole has lately arrived in Paris He is about to apply to the ministry and proposes a protectorate of the country and a subsidy for it of 40 000 000 francs a year There is said to be much gold in the country, which is jealously guarded by the inhabitants Some notice is being paid M Dagoubert by scientific men and he is likely it is said, to attract as much attention in Paris as Louis de Rougemont and his Australian tales did in London

The Sun's Size

In view of this enormous distance it will be easily surmised that the little disc seen with the smoked glass is of colossal dimensions In bald figures its diameter is 866 500 miles but this is meaningless without some helpful simile It is easier to comprehend the moon's distance from the earth, say 240 000 miles, let us suppose our planet placed at the very center of the sun (first "hollowed out" for the express purpose) and the moon revolving about it in its everyday orbit—not only untrammeled by the "shell" of the sun but actually leaving room enough for the revolution of another moon in an orbit more than 190 000 miles further away, without fracturing the shell! In other words the sun is 1 300 000 times as large as our planet!

The oldest national flag in the world is that of Denmark, which has been in use since the year 1219

The king of Italy, although the head of one of the greatest wine-producing countries, is almost an abstainer

The ex-Empress Eugenie has some Hibernian blood in her veins, being the descendant of an Irish soldier of fortune who made a name for himself in Spain.

Bethesda—Nature's Own Specific.

For all diseases of the bladder and kidneys, Bethesda is Nature's Own Specific It has cured Bright's Disease when all else has failed Its effect is always beneficial and besides it is pleasant and refreshing Others have been cured why not you? A booklet sent free giving partial list of those cured The most successful physicians prescribe and endorse Bethesda It is the Great American Mineral Water Sold by druggists in sealed half-gallon bottles only.

BETHESDA MINERAL SPRING Co,
A M Jones, President Waukesha, Wis

Children are like jellies as they are molded so they will turn out.

There had been up to Saturday 25 conversions and 16 accessions in the Free Methodist revival at Mason City

The smallest things may exert the greatest influence. De Witt's Little Early Risers are unequaled for overcoming constipation and liver troubles Small pill, best pill, safe pill H W Bell, N L Krone, C F Shilling, East End Drug Store

Fine feathers do not make birds for a potpie

Cure for La Grippe.

Foley's Honey and Tar heals the lungs and cures the racking cough usual to la grippe and prevents pneumonia It is guaranteed 25c and 50c H W Bell, N L Krone, W H Hubbard

The epicure dislikes to waste his hunger on poor victuals

Lingering La Grippe Cough Cured

Mr G Vacher, 177 Osgood St, Chicago My wife had a severe case of la grippe three years ago and it left her with a very bad cough She tried a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar and it gave immediate relief One bottle cured her cough entirely. Now we are never without a bottle of this wonderful cough medicine in the house 25c and 50c H W Bell, N L Krone, W H Hubbard

The average height of the human race is for men, 5 feet 6 inches, for women 5 feet 2 inches

Mr S A Fackler, editor of the Micanopy (Fla,) Hustler, with his wife and children suffered terribly from La Grippe One Minute Cough Cure was the only remedy that helped them It acted quickly Thousands of others use this remedy as a specific for La Grippe and its exhausting after effects Never fails H W Bell, N L Krone, C. F. Shilling, East End Drug Store

There is undoubtedly such a thing as sympathetic suffering Many a poor man suffers if his wife is out of sorts

Don't get scared when your heart troubles you Most likely you suffer from indigestion Kodol Dyspepsia Cure digests what you eat It will cure every form of Dyspepsia. H W Bell N L Krone, C F. Shilling, East End Drug Store.

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It is much easier to be critical than to be correct —Disraeli

B Presson Pressonville, Kan, writes Jan 25th, 1899 "Nothing like Foley's Honey and Tar is the universal verdict of all who have used it Especially has this been true of coughs accompanying and succeeding la grippe. Not a single bottle failed to give almost immediate relief Everybody recommends it Send order at once only have one bottle left. H W Bell, N L Krone, W H Hubbard

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What a Prominent Kentuckian Says

W L Yancy, Paduca, writes I had a severe case of Kidney disease and three of the best physicians of southern Kentucky treated me without success I was induced to try Foley's Kidney Cure. The first bottle gave immediate relief and three bottles cured me permanently I gladly recommend this wonderful remedy H W Bell, N. L Krone, W H Hubbard

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Political clubs are sometimes trumps.

One way to humble a man's pride is to present him with a life-size crayon portrait of himself made by an amateur artist.

One little trouble may make us forget a dozen things we ought to be thankful for

CASTORIA. Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher* The Kind You Have Always Bought

ELECTRIC THAWING.

An Invention That Is Much in Demand Among the Mines of the Klondike.

Miners who have returned from the Klondike say that in that region, as in others where the winter temperature runs down to well below zero, the bugbear of the miner is the frozen soil in which he has to work Under the influence of the frost the ground turns as hard as rock for several feet down, and until this obdurate stratum is cut through mining operations are at a standstill The way in which the soil is softened has, so far, been to build a bonfire and simply thaw things out This however, besides being tedious, is a great waste of heat, 85 per cent of which is lost in the atmosphere A patent for thawing the ground electrically has just been sold for a large sum The invention is intended to be used for winter mining in countries where the cold is severe Specially-constructed dynamos and electrodes are placed against the walls of the shaft with a space of from five to six feet of ground intervening, so that when the current is turned on it has to cross the face of this space to complete the circuit As the ground contained therein forms a resistance to the motion of the electricity, heat is generated, and the ground is thawed The heat thus generated can be so controlled that it can be applied in any manner that will utilize its full force and effect By the old bonfire system it took 24 hours to freeze out a foot of soil, by the electrical system it is claimed that it is possible to thaw out the same depth of frozen earth in one hour, or 24 feet per day

SERGEANT WAS VERY TIRED.

Did Not Have Time to Spell Out the Full Name of the Chief of Police.

He was up before the trial board on a charge of laziness He was a desk sergeant from a west side police station and the charges and specifications were that he was always exceedingly tired, that he loafed over his desk and indeed that he was so grievously afflicted with ennui that he would not spell out in full the longer words in making reports of daily occurences to the general superintendent of police, a duty which fell to his lot as desk sergeant, but was much given to the habit of abbreviation This, it seems says a Chicago exchange, had been a constant source of worry and annoyance to the captain in command of the station and when repeated warnings were of no effect charges were preferred and he was brought before the tribunal, composed of the chief and the inspectors of police The story of his shortcomings and short spellings was told in detail and as a clincher his captain said

"Why, chief this man is so lazy that when he makes out a report instead of addressing it to 'Joseph Kipley General Superintendent,' he writes 'Jos Kip Gen Supt' If he came to the word 'philanthropy' in a report he would make it 'phil' and you couldn't tell whether it was philanthropy or Phil Daly"

On this arraignment it is needless to say, the sergeant was found guilty and promptly disciplined

CHINESE SIMPLICITY.

Even the Great Li Hung Chang Displays a Lack of Proper Understanding

The Chinese are said to be very much like children in their thought and action The commerce of one of their principal rivers is greatly impeded by a ledge of rocks on which myriads of junks and other kinds of vessels have been wrecked or badly damaged during the years of many centuries In fact it is almost impossible for any sort of vessel to pass this obstruction without being hurt in some way Recently several British men of war lay at anchor for some weeks in the river and the commanders offered to blow up the rocks and create a safe channel without cost to the government if permission were given The matter was referred to Li Hung Chang China's greatest statesman who after mature deliberation, declined the offer, on the ground that if they took the rocks out of the river it would deprive western China of water and flood the eastern part of the country This reminds us of the philosopher who opposed the building of the Nicaragua canal because he claimed that the Pacific ocean was several feet higher than the Atlantic and that if the canal should be opened the western ocean would flow into the eastern and produce another Noah's flood!

Climate Bothered the Frenchman

A recently arrived Frenchman who visited a well known Boston establishment one day to fit himself out for a long journey to the west says the Boston Transcript, was complaining bitterly of the cold "Don't you have cold weather in France?" asked the salesman who waited on him "Why, certainly, we have ze cold weather in France," was the reply "But we do not have ze all four seasons in one day in France"

Tigers Wash Like Cats.

Cats make the most careful toilet of any class of animals The lion and the tiger wash themselves in exactly the same manner as the cat, wetting the dark india rubber like ball of the forefoot and inner toe and passing it over the face and between the ears The foot is thus at the same time a face sponge and brush and the rough tongue combs the rest of the body

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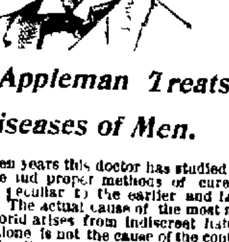

Dr. Appleman Treats Diseases of Men.

For fourteen years this doctor has studied the cause nature and proper methods of cure of the diseases peculiar to the earlier and later life of man The actual cause of the most misery in this world arises from indiscreet habits Ignorance alone is not the cause of the continuation but the diseased brain prods the patient on and on until nothing but a dark future is before him He tries to hide his trouble but that glossy stare of the eye those sunken cheeks and that sheepish look betray him Why suffer all these tortures young man when Dr Appleman can cure you?

Middle aged and old men are subject to diseases that need the most careful and minute attention Causes that occurred years ago and which they may have overlooked can only be overcome by an experienced specialist

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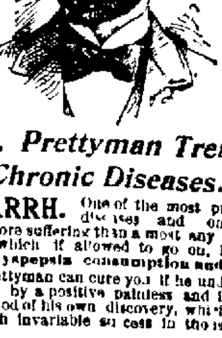

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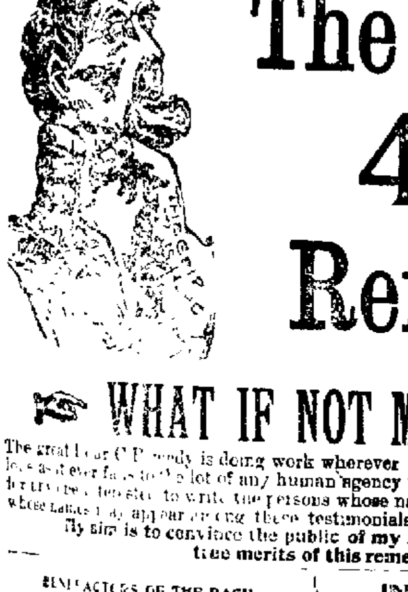

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BENEFACTORS OF THE RACE.

"Office Kingfisher Times,"
Kingfisher Okla., Dec. 12, '93.

Gentlemen: I consider it my duty to write [illegible] to the beneficial effect of [illegible] so far as I am personally [illegible]. A week ago last Thursday, [illegible] attack of la grippe [illegible] so hoarse I could [illegible]. The night previous [illegible] just before [illegible] and slept the entire [illegible] I did in my life, not [illegible] relieved before [illegible] Cough, Cold and [illegible] every household in the [illegible] of the race in giving [illegible] the worst affection [illegible]. Very truly yours,

C. J. NESBITT, Editor.

A MIRACLE.

Kansas City, Kansas, Dec. 21, '91.

Last Fr[illegible] my attending physician [illegible] was better by morning he [illegible] for my relief. That night I [illegible] "Four-C" Remedy, [illegible] The first dose [illegible] rested well; a few [illegible] soreness from my lungs; [illegible] up, the third day I was [illegible] today was up town pur[illegible].

MISS JENNIE BASSETT,
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Chicago, Nov. 24, '94.

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Round trip rate to New Orleans $—, tickets good to return until and including February 28th. For sleeping car accommodations, either in Pullman or Tourist sleepers, apply to the undersigned at Dubuque, Iowa, not later than Feb. 1st. Do not send the money, but state distinctly what accommodations are wanted and whether in Standard Pullman or Tourist sleeper, remembering that the sleeping car rates quoted on bill are for double berth and will be the same whether occupied by one or two people. Write the undersigned at once for a copy of the Vicksburg Convention program, New Orleans Guide and detailed information concerning the excursion.

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Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, Macon County, } ss.

In the Circuit Court.

Henry Oehler, complainant, vs. Mamie E. Grass, et al, defendant—In Chancery. No. 17059.

Public notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of a decree of the Circuit Court of Macon county, in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the January term of said court A. D. 1899, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said court, will on

Tuesday, February 21, 1899,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the Court House on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold; being described as follows, to-wit:

Lot 10 in Block 1 in E. B. Durfee's 2d Addition to the city of Decatur.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 20th day of January, A. D. 1899.

J. J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
ALEXANDER MCINTOSH, Complainant's Sol.
Jan. 30-d4w

Executor's Notice.

Estate of Samuel C. Allen, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed executor of the estate of Samuel C. Allen, late of the county of Macon, and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the April term, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 1st day of February, 1899.

EDWIN G. ALLEN, Executor.
feb 2-d3w

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Elizabeth McDonald, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Elizabeth McDonald, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the April term, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 10th day of February, 1899.

HARDIN C. WALLACE, Administrator.
Feb 11-d3w*

Illinois Central R. R.

The customary proclamation of Rex, King of the Carnival, having been issued, the Illinois Central Railroad Company announce that on account of the

MARDI GRAS

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FEBRUARY 14,

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There will be on sale at February 6 to 12, with final return limit to February 28, 1899.

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Full particulars concerning this excursion can be had by addressing J. F. Merry, A. G. P. A., Dubuque, Iowa.

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to certain points in the south on the lines of the Illinois Central and Yazoo & Mississippi Valley Railroads will be run on the first and third Tuesday of each month, during February, March and April.

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For dates, rates, etc., apply to W. L. Smith, Union Depot Ticket Agent, or J. C. Millspaugh, T. P. A., Decatur, Ill.

Macon County Teachers' Examinations, 1899.

1. First Saturday in February.
2. First Saturday in April.
3. Fist Saturday in June.
4. At close of Teachers' Institute.
5. First Saturday of November.

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Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, Macon County, } ss. In the Circuit Court.

Daniel Stookey, Complainant, vs. John L. Connelly et al., Defendants—In Chancery, No. 16913.

Public notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, in the state of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the October term of said court, A. D. 1893, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said court, will on

Monday, the 13th day of February, 1899

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit:

The northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section ten (10), township sixteen (16) north range one (1) east of the third principal meridian, in Macon county, state of Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 20th day of January, A. D. 1899.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Bunn & Park, Complainant's Solicitors.
Jan 20-dtd

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Michael Ennis, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Michael Ennis, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the April term, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 8th day of February, 1899.

8-d2w WM. RYAN, Administrator.

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Railroad Column

R. R. TIME TABLES.

Wabash Line

(Corrected to Jan. 1, 1899.)

TO CHICAGO.

No. 12—Daily .... 1:10 a m
No. 16—Daily except Sunday .... 9:36 a m
No. 14—Daily .... 11:42 a m

TO ST. LOUIS.

No. 5—Fast Mail, Daily .... 11:46 p m
No. 3—Daily .... 3:46 a m
No. 9—St. Louis Accomm., Daily .... 7:10 a m
No. 1—Continental Limited, Daily .... 4:06 p m
No. 21—St. Louis Express, ex. Sun .... 6:12 p m
No. 7—Kansas City Ex., Daily .... 7:20 p m

TO TOLEDO AND BUFFALO.

No. 6—Fast Mail, Daily .... 5:36 a m
No 16—Danville Accom, Daily .... 9:30 a m
No. 24—Except Sunday .... 11:00 a m
No. 4—Continental Limited, Daily .... 11:37 a m
No. 10—Lafayette Accom., ex. Sun .... 4:35 p m
No. 2—N. Y. Limited, Daily .... 11:51 p m

TO QUINCY AND HANNIBAL.

No. 3—K. C. Express, Daily .... 3:50 a m
No. 19—Clayton Accom., Daily .... 7:20 a m
No. 9—Daily, ex. Sun .... 11:03 a m
No. 1—Daily .... 4:15 p m
No. 17—To Springfield, Daily .... 7:40 p m

FROM CHICAGO.

No 13—Daily .... 3:23 a m
No. 11—Limited Daily .... 3:54 p m
No. 17—Daily, except Sunday .... 7:35 p m

FROM ST. LOUIS.

No. 12—Night Express, Daily .... 1:30 a m
No. 6—Fast Mail, Daily .... 5:28 a m
No. 24—Daily, except Sunday .... 10.55 a m
No. 4—Continental Limited, Daily .... 11:34 a m
No. 10—St. Louis Accom., Daily .... 9:10 p m
No. 2—N. Y. Limited, Daily .... 11:46 p m

FROM TOLEDO.

No. 5—Fast Mail, Daily .... 11:43 p m
No. 3—Limited, Daily .... 3:16 a m
No. 21—Except Sunday .... 5:45 p m
No. 1—Continental Limited, Daily .... 4:00 p m
No. 7—St. Louis Through Ex., Daily .... 7:17 p m

FROM QUINCY AND HANNIBAL.

No. 16—From Springfield, Daily .... 9:15 a m
No. 4—Express, Daily .... 10:55 a m
No. 10—From Springfield, ex. Sun .... 4:30 p m
No. 20—From Clayton, Daily .... 6:50 p m
No. 2—From Kansas City, Daily .... 11:05 p m

Illinois Central.

Corrected to Dec. 28, 1898.

No 118 to Chicago via Clinton & Gilman .... * 1:55 a. m.
No. 120 to Chicago via Clinton & Gilman .... * 3:5 p. m.
No. 704 to Chicago via Champaign .. * 6:45 a. m.
No. 104 Main Line North .... * 11:0 a. m.
No. 126 Main Line North .... † 5 40 p. m.
No. 702 Champaign Line Mixed leaves .... † 3:15 p. m.
No. 192 Freight, stop .... † 4 p m
No. 117 Diamond Special to St. Louis via Pana .... * 1:23 a. m
No. 119 Daylight Special to St. Louis via Pana .... * 3:5 p. m.
No. 125 Main Line South to Centralia 10:23 a. m.
No. 1 3 Main Line South to Cairo .... * 4:15 p. m.
No. 191 Local Freight South .... † 7:45 a. m.
No. 705 from Chicago via Champaign, arrives .... * 1:5 p. m
No. 701 from Champaign Mixed Train arrives .... † 11.45 a. m.

*—Daily. †—Daily Except Sunday.

PEORIA, DECATUR & EVANSVILLE RY.

Arrive from Peoria	Arrive from Evansville
A No. 1 ...... 10:35 a. m.	A No. 2 .... 3:50 p. m
D No. 3 ...... 10:05 p. m.	A No. 4 .... 6:28 a. m
A No. 11 ...... 2:00 p. m.	S No. 36 .... 7:10 a. m
Depart for Peoria	**Depart for Evansville**
A No. 2 ...... 3:00p. m.	A No. 1 ...... 10:45 a. m.
A No. 4 ...... 6:35 a. m.	D No. 3 ...... 10:20 p. m.
S No. 35 ...... 7:20 a. m.	A No 11 ...... 3:06 p. m.
A No. 10 ...... 10:35 a. m.	"D"—Daily. "S" Sunday Only.
"A"—Daily Except Sunday.	

Vandalia Line.

In effect Oct. 11, 1891.

DEPARTS EAST.

No. 34—Freight, ex. Sunday .... 6:25 a m
No. 12—Except Sunday .... 7:40 a m
No. 6—Except Sunday .... 3:25 p m

FROM TERRE HAUTE.

No. 7—Except Sunday .... 10:45 a m
No. 13—Freight, ex. Sunday .... 5:00 p m
No. 21—Except Sunday .... 7:05 p m

DEPARTS WEST.

No. 5—Ex. Sunday .... 7:00 a m
No. 35—Freight, ex. Sunday .... 7:30 a m
No. 7—Ex. Sunday .... 10:55 a m

FROM PEORIA.

No. 6—Ex. Sunday .... 3:20 p m
No. 36—Freight ex. Sunday .... 4:10 p m
No. 4—Ex. Sunday .... 6:20 p m

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ARRIVE.	LEAVE.
No. 1 Pass.... †2:25 p m	No. 4 Pass... *11:10 p m
No. 3 Pass.... *3:45 a m	No. 2 Pass... *11:00 a m
" 7 .... †10:00 a m	" 10 .... †4:15 p m
" 9 .... †8.00 p m	" 8 .... †7:00 a m

*Daily. †Except Sunday.

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California tourists tickets, good returning nine months, with liberal stop over privileges each direction, on sale daily.

New Orleans, account Mardi Gras, $20.75 round trip from Decatur. Tickets sold Feb. 6th to 13th, good for return journey to commence not later than Feb 28th.

Commencing Monday, Dec. 5, the Wabash railroad will inaugurate weekly tourist sleeping car service between St Louis and Los Angeles, Cal. Westbound these cars will leave St. Louis Monday nights at 10:30. Ready for occupancy in St. Louis union station at 9 p. m. on No. 7, arriving at Kansas City on No 21 at 9:15 a. m. and leaving Kansas City on Santa Fe No. 1 at 11:30 Tuesdays, arriving at Los Angeles at 8:30 a. m. Fridays, and San Francisco at 6:45 p. m. Fridays. The service to San Francisco in tourist sleepers with one change at Needles but through reservations can be made. This train leaves Decatur at 7:17 p. m. Eastbound, the car will leave Los Angeles on Santa Fe No. 2 at 10:30 a. m. Mondays, arriving in Kansas City at 7 a. m. Thursdays and operated from Kansas City to St. Louis on our No. 2, leaving Kansas City at 9:30 a. m. and arriving at St. Louis at 6:15 p. m. Thursdays. Service from San Francisco will be tourist sleepers to St. Louis with one change at Barstow, this connecting car leaving San Francisco at 5 p. m. Sundays.

The Wabash railroad will organize and run two personally conducted thirty day tours of Mexico, leaving Decatur Jan. 19 and Feb. 23, at 4:05 p. m. via Wabash railroad and leaving St. Louis the same evening via the Iron Mountain at 8:15 p. m. with Pullman sleeping and dining cars. The tours are first class in every respect. Cliff P. Barrett will escort both parties as representative of the Mexican National railroad, having been ticket agent for that company in the City of Mexico for nearly ten years and is thoroughly posted on the country. The price from Decatur is $260.40. Call at city office for itineraries.

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LOCAL NEWS.

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Mrs. Charles Hankins of North Water street entertained at cards yesterday afternoon.

The favorite pianos are the celebrated Chickering and Packard instruments, sold only at the C. B. Prescott music house. See them.

Have you noticed how nicely your hands feel after washing them with Beach's Hand Soap. The glycerine it contains does this.

The North Main Street Woman's Exchange board met with Mrs. R. P. Lytle yesterday. It was decided to give some sort of an entertainment for the benefit of the exchange but just what will be given was not definitely settled. If the weather remains as it is at present the matter will be arranged at once.

The French class met this afternoon with Mrs. Lucian Shellabarger. The class was reorganized at the first of the season and meets weekly with a member, the same as last year. They are now reading Cyrano de Bergerac.

The Bargain sale Saturday and Monday on Beach's Northwest Soap is the manufacturers' method of introducing their soaps. Did they not know their soaps had superior merits, which would be readily recognized, they would not spend their money in this manner.

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L. CHODAT'S NEWS HOUSE.

Miss Ida Voorhies was hostess for a tea from 4 to 6 on Tuesday afternoon given in honor of her guests, Miss Knight of St. Louis and Miss Hyland of Beloit, N. Y.

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Must Make Report.

In compliance with a petition filed by the heirs of the estate of the late David Garver Judge Hammer in the county court entered an order on David M. Garver, administrator, requiring him to file a final report by February 24.

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ASH WEDNESDAY

This is the First Day of Lenten Season.

LASTS FOR FORTY DAYS

And Ends With Easter Sunday Which Falls on April 2—Special Services in Episcopal and Catholic Churches.

Today is Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent, a church season which lasts for 40 days and during which time the members of the Catholic and Episcopal churches are expected to do away with all worldly pleasures and give themselves up to devotion and self denial.

Lent is in commemoration of the 40 days 1900 years ago which the Savior passed in fasting, prayer and passion in the Garden of Gethsemane previous to the crucifixion. In the early days of the Christian church the diciples and apostles kept Lent as a time of fasting the same as the anniversary of the death of a loved one is kept in a family. So the observance naturally broadened into a custom and into a law. There is a whole code of rules which is laid down by church. The 40 days has significance to church people in several ways. Moses was on the mount 40 days, the children of Israel were in the wilderness for 40 days and the Savior passed the same length of time in fasting. While the Episcopalians and Catholics are the denominations which particularly observe Lent there are other churches which do not entirely ignore it and on Easter Sunday flowers may be found in the plainest of the churches.

Ash Wednesday in the early days was the time when all of those who had offended against the church were brought before the bishop and sprinkled with ashes and ordered to do penance for 40 days. Ashes were used as being symbolic of that which comes after the flame, indicating that all worldly pomp, pride, sin and shame must end in ashes. Hence the term Ash Wednesday.

The great fundamental theory underlining the observance of Lent in both the Roman Catholic and Protestant churches is that the members must at some time give up their worldly life and that if there is not a chosen time the observance will be neglected. The object of Lent is to strengthen the will and deepen the religious life of the individual. Both self-denial and devotion are required.

Wednesday and Fridays are days of special devotion. Lent ends with Holy Saturday, the day before Easter Sunday, which this year falls upon April 2. The first day of Lent is chosen so that it will be 40 days before Easter and Easter is fixed by the vernal equinox. It is the first Sunday after the first full moon occurring on or after the 21st of March.

Special services in observance of Ash Wednesday were held today at St. John's Episcopal church by the rector, the Rev. H. W. Ruffner. Rev. Father Murphy celebrated masses at St. Patrick's Catholic church and there were services both in the morning and afternoon by Father Teppe at St. James' German Catholic church.

AT THE GRAND.

AT "PINEY RIDGE" FRIDAY NIGHT.

The powerful southern play by David Higgins will be the next attraction at the Grand for one night, February 17. This strong and effective melodrama will be presented with all its wealth of scenery and effects and one of the best companies on the road with the author of the play, David Higgins, at the head as the director of the production. Mr. Higgins is so well known as a skillful stage manager that even if he did not appear in the drama in person we would be sure of a good production, but this attraction has the advantage of the author in the principal role and the success Mr. Higgins has had in his portrayal of Jack Rose, the principal figure of his play, adds to the value of his play materially. Miss Georgia Waldron, as 'Cindy Lane the mountain girl, still plays her original part with all the finish and fine discrimination that has made it from the first presentation of this drama, one of the few really fine creations of character of the past two seasons. The company is fully equal to the high requirements of the play and the scenic investiture of it true to the locale of the action of the story.

AGAIN TONIGHT.

Beach & Bowers' minstrels again tonight. They are great. Prices 10, 20 and 30 cents.

BOXING.

Athletic exhibition at the Grand tomorrow night. See the "rounds of pleasure" and the tugs of war.

WHAT HAPPENED TO JONES.

Frances Drake, who will be seen at the Grand Monday, February 20, in George H. Broadhurst's big success, "What Happened to Jones," is as pretty off the stage as she is on. The clever actress has scored heavily this season in the leading female part in this prosperous farce, and is destined to become an important factor in theatricals. The gowns worn by Miss Drake and Mabel Montgomery are very much admired by the ladies in every city where Broadhurst's success is presented.

HANDEL'S MESSIAH

Will be Presented to Decatur in the Early Autumn.

As was announced in the Republican some time ago Mr. S. M. Lutz of this city will arrange for a first class production of Handel's Messiah some time soon. Just how soon this great masterpiece can be presented is not known, but it will be some time in the early autumn. Mr. Lutz has succeeded in interesting the musical talent of the city and will begin training the vocal talent of the city for the production at once. It will take six months at least to complete the training but when the work is given it will be a finished production in which all the vocal talent of the city will have a part.

The chorus will be immense. The principals are not yet considered but they undoubtedly will be recruited from the ranks of the foremost singers of the country.

The festival will last for four days. The question of where it will be held has not yet been considered but it is very likely that if the new coliseum is finished by that time the festival will be held there. The giving of the festival does not hinge on the building of the coliseum but there is no doubt that the prospects of a desirable hall for its production has a great deal to do with the determination to push it forward and inspired Mr. Lutz to the effort.

The Messiah is one of the great masterpieces of the ages and in the cities is given over and over again year after year and is received with the greatest enthusiasm and enjoyment. It is one of the greatest musical compositions ever written. The theme has inspired many composers but none have ever written of it with the success that attended Handel's effort.

The first rehearsal will be held in the hall used by the Goodman band or on the third floor of the Columbia building on Thursday evening. The members of the band have offered the use of the hall and the rehearsals will be held weekly. At least 150 of the musicians of the city have signified their intention to be present at the first rehearsal.

THE COLISEUM.

Committee Will Soon be Ready for a Public Meeting.

The coliseum committee is now awaiting the return of the secretary, Charles Hurst, from New York, to hold the last meeting which will be held before the matter is ready to give to the public. At this meeting the plans and diagrams of the architects will be considered and the matter of the selection of a building site thoroughly canvassed. After this the matter will be put in shape to place before the public and the work of taking subscriptions for the shares will begin at once. The work of the committee has been delayed by the absence of several of the members from the city.

List of Patents

Granted to Illinois inventors this week Reported by C. A. Snow & Co., patent attorneys, Washington, D. C:

F. S. Blakesley, Rockford, twyer iron; W. A. Casner, Earlville, nut lock; M. M. Dungan, Homer, farm gate; G. W. Hill, Cave-in-Rock, cash reigster; C. A. Knappenberger, La Harpe, label cabinet; Mahannah, Casner, hog trap; W. E. Morgan, Metropolis, whiffletree hook; W. Sheer, Quincy, incubator. For copy of any of the above patents send 10 cents in postage stamps with date of this paper to C. A. Snow & Co., Washington, D. C.

Harry Rather Arrested.

Yesterday Harry Rather was arrested on an indictment returned by the last grand jury charging him with petit larceny. Rather is one of the boys who stole a kettle from a house on West Main street. With another boy he was arrested by the police but the prosecuting witness failed to appear against them. The matter was then taken up by the grand jury with the result that an indictment was returned.

In its advanced and chronic form a cold in the head is known as Nasal Catarrh and is the recognized source of other diseases. Having stood the test of continued successful use, Ely's Cream Balm is recognized as a specific for membranal diseases in the nasal passages, and you make a great mistake in not resorting to this treatment in your own case. To test it a trial size for 10 cents or the large for 50 cents is mailed by Ely Brothers, 56 Warren Street, New York. Druggists keep it.

Administrator.

In the county court Judge Hammer appointed Fred Davidson administrator of the estate of the late Edna A. Davidson. The estate consists of household effects valued at $100 and the administrator gave bond in the sum of $200.

HOME PARTIES

St. Valentine's Day Affords Special Pleasure.

MRS. W. W. SHADE'S RECEPTION

In Honor of Rector Ruffner and Wife—"At Home" Events in Various Parts of the City.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Shade were the delightful entertainers of the choir and rector and wife of St. John's church at their home on East Wood street last evening. The rooms were decorated in cut flowers and blooming plants. At 10 o'clock oysters were served. Dancing followed. The members of the choir are: Misses Lil Bassey, Henrietta Cozad, Gussie Gorin, Dora Bennett, Ida Campbell, Jeanette Walmsley, Ethel Burke, Katie Rawley, Belle Dinges, Cordelia Williams, Lillian King, Sibyl Wilson Mae Williams, Mrs. Will Heilman Messrs. Joe Grindol, R. W. Chilson Eugene Wilson, Charles Hill, H. Gilham, Delos Cozad, George Dunston, Frank and Herbert Howes, Charles Hoy, Masters Walter Dinges, Lloyd Rawley and Louie Shade.

SURPRISE MASQUERADE.

Surprisers en masque swooped down upon Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Reed of Division street last evening and proceeded to make themselves entirely at home and enjoy the evening. Refreshments were served.

VALENTINE SOCIAL.

The members of the Christian Endeavor society of the Congregational church gave a valentine social at the home of the Misses Glover of West Decatur street last evening. A program consisting of musical selections by Miss Miller, Richard Glover and Mrs. C. A. Logan and a reading by Miss Carter, was given.

C. E. SOCIAL.

The Christian Endeavors of the Church of God held a social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Theobold of East Marietta street last evening. A postoffice where mail in the shape of valentines could be had for a slight consideration was one of the features of the evening. About 50 guests were present.

ANTE-NUPTIAL PARTY.

Miss Orchard entertained friends at her residence on North Main street on Monday afternoon in honor of Miss Dolly Davis, whose marriage to Mr. Ed. Deetz of St. Louis will soon occur. A utensil shower was given.

VALENTINE AND OTHER SAINTS

A decidedly pleasant feature was introduced at the Missionary meeting and tea held by the Woman's Foreign Missionary society of the First M. E. church at the home of Mrs. J. W. Sanner on Tuesday afternoon. Following the program and business meeting heart shaped valentines in white and gold were distributed among the guests. Each valentine bore a quotation from some well known author on one side and a quotation from the scriptures on the other. The quotations from the authors were first read and the scriptural passages from which the authors quotation had been taken followed.

In the evening a valentine postoffice was established and a nice little sum was realized from the sale of the delicate missives. The program for the evening included violin solos by Milton Lutz and Roy Sanner and vocal selections by Miss Bessie Lutz, Daisy Fletcher and Wilbur Starling.

GRACE AT HOME.

The informal "at home" given by the Ladies' Aid society of the Grace M. E. church on Tuesday afternoon was a most successful affair and no doubt established a precedent that will become a popular feature of the social work in the church. The reception committee was composed of Mrs W. F. Gillmore, Robert Parks, Sherman McClelland, S. J. Steele, Jerry Donohue, W. H. Grinnol and Anna M. Hughes. The refreshments were served under the direction of Mesdames D. S. Shellabarger, Thomas Antrim, S. E. Hinkle, E. J. Strader, W. M. Latham, E. C. Tait, F. E. Tait and Peyton.

The registration committee consisted of Mrs. W. F. Dennis and Mrs. C. P. Kennedy. One hundred and ten persons registered. A short program was given. The souvenirs were valentines.

Tax Notice.

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